

I. Mankind Sets Himself Against God (Psalm 2:1-3)

- "A medal was struck by Diocletian, which still remains bearing the inscription, "The name of Christians being extinguished." And in Spain, two monumental pillars were raised, on which were written: I. "Diocletian Jovian Maximian Herculeus Caesares Augusti, for having extended the Roman Empire in the east and the west, and for having extinguished the name of Christians, who brought the Republic to ruin." II. "Diocletian Jovian Maximian Herculeus Caesares Augusti, for having adopted Galerius in the east, for having everywhere abolished the superstition of Christ, for having extended the worship of the gods." — Joseph Caryl » The Treasury of David

II. God's Response (Psalm 2:4-6)

- A. Psalm 2:6 *Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.*
 1. The wisemen asked Herod — Where is he that is born King of the Jews? (Matthew 2:2)
 2. Pilate asked Jesus (John 18:37) *...Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born...*
 3. The placard above Christ's head on the cross said...*in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.* (Luke 23:38b)
- B. John 18:36 *Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.*

III. Messiah's Monologue (Psalm 2:7-9)

- A. LORD — I AM
- B. Luke 4:5 *And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed*

unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. 6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. 7 If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine. 8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

IV. A Piece of Advice from the Coming King (Psalm 2:10-12)

- A. Psalms 111:10 *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.*
- B. Philippians 2:5 *Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. 9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: 10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; 11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

*I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou,
LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.*

Psalm 4:8