

## FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

*EPHESIANS: Awake, O Sleeper - Psalm 2:1-12 - The King of All Kings - 06.02.2024*

1. Is there anything specific from this message that the Lord has impressed upon your heart?  
If so, what is it & how do you feel the Lord calling you to respond?
2. Considering Psalm 2, how does it (along with Psalm 1) provide perspective & a preface for the entirety of the Psalms to follow?  
What do these verses reveal about God, humanity (specifically human leaders/rulers/kings, etc.) & their relational dynamic?  
Where have we seen this dynamic at work throughout history (i.e. humanity setting themselves up against God)?  
What has been the outcome of human cunning against God's people & God's Anointed Son?  
Where do we see this in our current times, and how should we respond in light of these truths as followers of Jesus?
3. How does Psalm 2 reveal a historical pertinence to King David as well as a future (at the time of writing) Messianic one with Jesus?  
*\*\*Remember that "Anointed" is translated from "Messiah" in Hebrew which is "Christ" in Greek.*  
Why is it important for us to recognize BOTH the historical context and the application of these truths in our context?  
What is the relevance, from your perspective, for us today of a passage like this?  
What do you take away from a passage like this and how does it tangibly impact your life?  
(i.e. how does this passage warn and encourage you as you go about living your life)?
4. As you read Psalm 2, look at the passages in the New Testament where portions of this Psalm are quoted:  
What commonalities do you find in the different New Testament references to these verses?  
How do those quotations shed light on the Lord's intended meanings of these passages (prophetic revelation, etc.)?  
How do Jesus' words in Luke 24:27 help us as we consider Old Testament passages like Psalm 2?  
How does Psalm 2 (consider verse 12 specifically) encourage us with how to live in a way that benefits us & glorifies our God?
5. Below are the "Today's Takeaways" from the sermon. Do any of these particularly encourage, convict, challenge, you, & if so, how?  
**All who plot & strive against God do so in vain!**  
*Human cunning will never override God's plans!*  
**God's righteous wrath remains upon the wicked!**  
*Remember that the just wages of sin is death!*  
**All who reject God's Anointed King reject Him!**  
*True belief in God always result in trust in Jesus!*  
**Wise temporal rulers submit under Christ's rule!**  
*Jesus is the eternal King of all kings/kingdoms!*  
**All who take refuge in God's Son are blessed!**  
*The truly blessed life is in living by faith in Jesus!*