

Passage: Psalm 72 – “Long Expected King?”

Themes, Quotes & Other Passages:

- I. Who is like this King?
- II. How does this King Reign?
- III. Why do we NOT like this King?
- IV. How do we respond?
 - A. Accept you're an enemy
 - B. Surrender in Full obedience
 - C. Advocate for the King's virtues
 - D. Worship in Adoration

Philippians 2:9–11 - ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

2 Corinthians 8:9 - For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

1 Timothy 2:1–2 - ¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

“We want to be reunited with a happy time or a lovely place or a good friend. We keep wanting to ‘get back’ or ‘get in’. What’s remarkable is that these longing are unfulfillable....We may want a good career or a family or a particular kind of life, and these things may come to us. But if so, they will not fill all our niches because we want more than these things can give. Even if we fall deeply in love and marry another human being, we discover that our spiritual and sexual oneness isn’t final. It’s wonderful, but not final.” - Cornelius Plantinga

“We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased.” – C.S. Lewis
Weight of Glory

The only way to be friends with the King, is to admit that you are his enemy....and frankly only Christians can see and admit this” – Pastor Tim Keller

Discussion Questions from Text & Sermon

1. Who wrote this Psalm and what was the occasion?
2. Is there anything in our context or culture that makes it hard to appreciate this Psalm?
3. Can you carefully answer (from the text and our experience) the first three questions of sermon the outline?
4. What is a point of application for you from this passage that you see you need most?