

SELECTED PSALMS PHASE 1
LESSON 2 PSALM 2
ANSWERS FOR REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. **Answer:**

We have in Psalm 1 a most powerful illustration of permanence noted in the example of the flourishing tree planted by the rivers of water. The righteous is like a well-established tree securely settled in fertile soil.

For more information, see Pages 1-2.

2. **Answer:**

(a) On that day fear shall lay hold on the ungodly.

(b) Although when sinning they were confident and fearless, now they will desire to flee away.

(c) Etc.

For more information, see Pages 2-3.

3. **Answer:**

(a) The “royal” or “Messianic” psalms are prophetic and foretell of the coming “Messiah” or the “Anointed One.”

(b) Psalm 2 has been ascribed to David based on the Apostle’s account in Acts 4:25-26.
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4. **Answer:**

The LORD’S response to why the ills of the world seem to prevail . . . the answer is not found by looking around at the world, but by looking to the fulfillment of God’s divine plan for the human race. Page 4

5. **Answer:**

(a) In Vv. 1-3, the psalmist is the speaker and he views the revolt of the nations against the LORD and His Anointed.

(b) In Vv. 4-6, God, the Father, is the speaker and He declares that He has set, His King upon His holy hill of Zion.

(c) Etc.

For more information, see Pages 4 and 17.

6. **Answer:**

Satan knows for certain that as the Messiah’s, the Anointed One’s, kingdom rises and gains ground, all his efforts are in jeopardy and he will do anything and everything to oppose and destroy God’s work here on earth but his opposition is futile.

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7. **Answer:**

- (a) "Heathen" is used in reference to "nations".
 - (b) "Heathen" was used in reference to the surrounding nations or to all other people who were not Jews . . . those who did not recognize and worship the LORD.
- For more information, see Pages 5-6.

8. **Answer:**

- (a) "Imagine" (Psalm 2:1) mean the people "meditate"; the same word in the Hebrew is used in Psa. 1:2, but here with the implication of plotting evil.
 - (b) Their minds were engaged in deliberating on their plot . . . that is, they continuously focused on their plan to oppose God.
- For more information, see Page 6.

9. **Answer:**

- (a) effort (b) rebellion (c) vain (d) washing (e) energy (f) succeed (g) amazed (h) defeat
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10.

STATEMENTS	CORRECT REFERENCE	JUMBLED REFERENCES
The psalmist views the revolt of nations against God and His Anointed.	Psa. 2:1-3	
The rebellious people are exhorted to repent.	Psa. 2:10-12	
Who can endure the day of His coming . . . who can stand when He appears.	Mal. 3:2 Amp. Bible	
He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor	Matt. 3:12 NKJV	
The LORD knows the way of the righteous . . . the way of the ungodly shall perish.	Psa. 2:6 Amp. Bible	

11. **Answer:**

- (a) The psalmist sees a general commotion in the planning process among the nations.
 - (b) In verse 2, he describes specifically the reason for the turmoil . . . putting their plans in place to rebel.
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12. **Answer:**

- (a) The organizers of the rebellion were the leaders of the nations.
 - (b) In reality, these forces do not usually agree but in this situation, they forgot all their differences and indifferences in order to unite in fighting against God and His anointed.
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13. Answer:

- (a) The **Anointed** in Psa. 2:2 refers to the **Messiah**.
 - (b) **Anointed** is derived from the Hebrew "*Mashiach*" or "**Messiah**".
- For more information, see Page 8.

14. Answer:

- (a) It was a most spiteful and malicious opposition.
At the setting up of Christ's kingdom they rage and fret; they gnashed their teeth in frustration.
 - (b) It was deliberate and militant opposition.
They imagine (or meditate), deliberate and continuously focused on their goal to oppose God and His Anointed.
 - (c) Etc.
- For more information, see Pages 8-9.

15. Answer:

The solution for victory over a rebellious life against God:

- (a) Choose the pathway of God's righteousness according to His Word (Deut. 30:15, 19; Josh. 24:15).
 - (b) Loving what God loves and hating what God hates (Prov. 6:16-17; John 14:23).
 - (c) Etc.
- For more information, see Page 11

16. Answer:

His first response was non-verbal; He is seen simply sitting on His throne. Sitting is a proof of being in-charge and indicates this is a ruling position.

For more information, see Pages 12-13.

17. Answer:

- (a) "**He shall laugh . . .**" this fact conveys to our minds that irrespective of the greatest confederacies and kings and people and their most extensive and vigorous preparations to defeat God's purposes and injure His people all their efforts are insufficient and worthless.
 - (b) God laughs but it is a scornful laugh! It is a laugh with vengeance! Etc.
 - (c) Etc.
- For more information, see Pages 13-14.

18. Answer:

- (a) He takes time to address them (v. 5a).
Face the fact, this seemingly indifference and insolence will not be allowed to continue.
 - (b) He was angry with them (v. 5b).
He fiercely addressed them and strikes terror in their brassy hearts with His furious tone.
 - (c) Etc.
- For more information, see Pages 14-15.

19. Answer:

- (a) **“Yet”** (2:6) is translated **“and”**. The message conveyed here is: **“And I have set or establish my King.”**
 - (b) **“Set”** (2:6) means **to pour out**, as in making a tribute to Deity. Pour out is also used in reference to “pour out oil as in anointing of a king or priest.
 - (c) Jesus Christ was appointed and anointed by the Father.
- For more information, see Pages 16-17.

20. Answer:

The Anointed One is Himself introduced as declaring the great purpose which was formed in regards to Him and referring to the promise which was made to Him as the foundation of the purpose of the LORD to set Him on the hill of Zion.

For more information, see Pages 17-19.

21. Answer:

- (a) Christ, the Anointed One, was regarded and acknowledged as God’s Son, or have that rank and status (2:7).
- (b) The heathen and the uttermost parts of the earth were to be given Him for a possession or that His reign was to extend over all the world (Psa. 2:8).

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22. Answer:

- (a) True.
 - (b) Although many have taught otherwise but **“this day I have begotten you,”** is not limiting Jesus’ origin to a particular time frame.
 - (c) Etc.
- For more information, see Page 19.

23. Answer:

- (a) They refused to accept Him as their King, and that was their motive for rebellion.
 - (b) Those who will not bow shall break.
- For more information, see Pages 20-21.

24. **Answer:**

(a) The necessity to heed wise counsel

“Now therefore, O Kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

(b) The pride of the high and haughty will be destroyed.

(c) Etc.

For more information, see Pages 21-22.

25. **Answer:**

(a) Reverence to God means an awareness of His holiness and the standard of living necessary for His subjects.

(b) **“Shaken” (NKJV) “moved” (KJV)** and **“smoke”** as used in Isa. 6:5 are expressions of the mystery and awe surrounding any experience of the Creator by a creature.

For more information, see Page 23.