

SELECTED PSALMS PHASE 2
PSALM 45
Answers for Review Questions

1. **Answer:**

- (a) Psalm 45 is a Royal Psalm, also referred to as Kingly Psalm; also Messianic Psalm.
 (b) It is referred to as a Royal Psalm because it prophetically points to Jesus Christ, it describes the Messiah's future relationship with the church, His body of believers. For more information, see Pages 2-3.

2. **Answer:**

Two levels on which Psalm 45 can be interpreted are:

- (a) There can be an immediate and local application to the wedding of one of Israel's kings, much in the manner of the Songs of Solomon.
 (b) On the other hand, there is a higher and universal application to the King of Kings and His spiritual bride, as is authenticated by the New Testament, where we have for example Psa. 45:6-7 noted in Heb. 1:8-9. Page 3

3. **Answer:**

A **Maschil Psalm** is a teaching psalm. Psalm 45, prophetically teaches about Jesus Christ, our coming King. Practically, it teaches the church about our union with our Bridegroom, Jesus Christ. Page 4

4. **Answer:**

- (a) He wrote from his heart . . . he was not writing out of mere duty but with great delight.
 (b) He wrote from his heart overflowing with love, gratitude, and admiration for his beloved king.
 (c) Etc.

For more information, see Pages 4-6.

5. **Answer:**

- (a) blessed (b) forever (c) beauty (d) gracious (e) endowments (f) Father (g) people
 (h) spiritual (i) union. Page 6

6. **Answer:**

The **two-edged sword**, said to be in Christ's mouth, symbolizes the power of Christ's word which is living, active and sharper than any literal two-edged sword (Eph. 6:17; Heb. 4:12; Rev. 1:16; 2:12, 16).

For more information, see Pages 6-7.

7. **Answer:**

He is seen as a great King, takes the battle field with abundance pomp and magnificence – His sword, His glory and majesty.

Etc.

For more information, see Pages 6-7.

8. **Answer:**

(a) (1) are (2) penetrating.

(b) (1) are (2) seen (3) falling (4) pierced (5) the (6) heart.

(c) (1) who (2) fall (3) arrows (4) have (5) pierced (6) the.

(d) (1) nations (2) He (3) would (4) establish (5) throughout (6) the (7) land. Page 8

9. **Answer:**

(a) He loves righteousness, it characterizes His nature and His Kingdom. Etc.

(b) He loves righteousness but hates wickedness.

Etc.

For more information, see Page 9.

10. **Answer:**

(a) These spices identify Christ in His sacred office as priest (Heb. 4:14-15; 7:26; 8:1) . . .

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(b) The fragrance of myrrh points to Christ as the radiant Bridegroom of the church. . . .

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(c) The myrrh and aloes points to Christ's death.

For more information, see Page 10.

11. **Answer:**

(a) False.

(b) The word “. . . *forget* . . .” (Psa. 45:10), is not suggesting absolute forgetfulness or that she was to cast off all affection for those who reared her, but the meaning here is that she was not to pine after them (her parents . . . the family).

For more information, see Pages 11-12.

12. **Answer:**

Item (c) genuinely true followers of Jesus Christ.

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13. **Answer:**

She is of majestic splendor or impressively beautiful. There is nothing that is not splendid, rich, magnificent in her appearance, or in her apparel.

For more information, see Pages 13-14.

14. **Answer:**

(a) False.

(b) Note the word “*within*” (Psa. 45:13) . . . her beauty was not only outward but from within. Etc.

For more information, see Pages 13-14

15. Answer:

It will be a time of great rejoicing and exuberance of joy; they shall come forth, accompanying the bride with music and songs; the procession will be one characterized by merriment.

For more information, see Page 15.