KISS THE SON PSALM 2 7/14/23

I. STANZA #1 – TENSION

- A. Tension The World "Against" God
 - 1. The Tension is created from our sin
- B. The World hates God and all who identify with Him
- C. The World sees God as oppressive
 - 1. "Bonds", "cords" imagery of oppression and constraint
 - 2. The world's desire is to overthrow the oppression of God

II. STANZA #2 – GOD'S RESPONSE

- A. God laughs
 - ~ There is no concern for the world's attempt to unseat Him
- B. God's plan "I have set my king in Zion"
 - ~ Nothing will stop God from accomplishing His divine plan!

III. STANZA #3 – GOD'S SON

- A. God announces that Messiah is His son
- B. Understanding Jesus' Sonship and Origin
 - 1. "You are my Son"
 - a. Jesus' sonship is a claim to deity not to order
 - 2. "Today I have begotten you"
 - a. Jesus was not created (Arian heresy)
 - **b.** Begetting = manifesting and declaring Jesus as King

IV. STANZA #4 – OUR RESPONSE

- A. Kiss the Son
 - **1.** Kiss is a sign of reconciliation
 - 2. Command = be reconciled to God!

COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What did you think about the message this week? What stood out to you or challenged your thinking?
- 2. Why are royal Psalms important for us to study? Where do they draw our focus? Why is this a good focus to have in light of our world today?
- 3. The world describes God's authority as oppressive...how would the righteous describe God's authority?
- 4. Why is God's authority good for us? How could you help someone see the goodness of God's authority?
- 5. We are encouraged in this Psalm to "kiss the Son" in submission to God...What are some specific ways that we live in submission to God today?
- 6. How does this Psalm give you confidence as you look at the world around you? How can this confidence be valuable to your faith walk?
- 7. What is one point of application from the message that you can live out this week?

PRAY THE PSALM

- Praise God that His plan will perfectly be accomplished even when the world plots against Him. (v.1-3)
- Praise God that He is ruling over everything. (v.4-6)
- Thank God for giving us Jesus. (v.7)
- Thank you that Jesus is God...not less than God, or the highest created being...He is God. (v.7)
- Pray and ask God to help you submit and "Kiss the Son." (v.12a)
- Pray that God would be your refuge as you live for Him on this earth. (v.12b)