The Messianic Psalms

Lesson 7: Psalm 72

Introduction

- Who is the author?
 - Solomon (inscription)
 - **David** (72:20)
- Who is the Psalm about?
 - Solomon
 - **Messiah** (Gal 3:14)

The Kind of King

(1-4)

- 1. Who does he want his son to rule like? (1)
 - God
- 2. Who is his son going to be judging? (2)
 - God's people
- 3. Who should his son defend and deliver? (4)
 - Poor and needy
- 4. What does he want done to the oppressor? (4)
 - Crush him

The People

(5-7)

- 1. Who should the people fear? (5)
 - God
- 2. What should the king be like for his people? (6)
 - Rain that waters the earth
- 3. Who does he want to flourish in his son's reign? (7)
 - Righteous
- 4. What does he want to abound? (7)
 - Peace

The Dominion

(8-11)

- 1. What does he want for his son's territory? (8-10)
 - The ends of the earth
- 2. What is the prayer for his son's enemies? (9)
 - They lick the dust
- 3. What will other kings bring to his son? (10)
 - Tribute and gifts
- 4. What will all the kings do? (7)
 - Fall down before him and serve him

The Reason

(12-14)

- 1. Who does his son take care of? (12-13)
 - The needy
 - The poor who have no helper
- 2. Why does his son take care of them? (14)
 - Their blood is precious in his sight

The Result

(15-19)

- 1. What 3 things does he want for his son? (15)
 - Long life; Gifts of Gold; Prayer & Blessing
- 2. What does he want for his son's land? (16)
 - Abundance of grain
- 3. What does the author want for the people? (16)
 - Blossom like grass of the field

The Result

(15-19)

- 4. What should the people be considered in his son? (17)
 - Blessed
- 5. What should all the nations call his son? (17)
 - Blessed
- 6. Who must be blessed for this? (18-19)
 - The LORD, God of Israel
- 7. What should the whole earth be filled with?
 - His glory

Applications

- 1. Something greater than Solomon is here (Lk 11:31)
- 2. All nations of the earth blessed in Jesus (Gal 3:14)
 - By forgiving sin (Acts 3:25-26)
 - Every blessing (Eph 1:3)
- 3. God answers prayers (1 Kings 4:20-21,34)

Next Week

Psalm 89