

Rev. Luke's Weekly Blog

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OUR ETERNAL KING-PRIEST

Psalm 2:7

Psalm 2:7; I will declare the decree: The Lord has said to Me, 'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.'

This verse was likely used at the coronation of a Davidic king, symbolizing his unique, adoptive sonship and divine mandate to rule.

New Testament authors unveil this verse as a messianic prophecy. The **today** of divine begetting is not a point in chronological time but an eternal declaration of relationship and authority that was manifested at key moments in Jesus's earthly ministry and eternal glory.



The first and most explicit fulfillment is declared at the resurrection of Jesus. In his sermon at the synagogue in Pisidian Antioch, the Apostle Paul connects Psalm 2:7 to the resurrection, proclaiming, **And we declare to you glad tidings – that promise which was made to the fathers. God has fulfilled this for us their children, in that He has raised up Jesus. As it is also written in the second Psalm: 'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You'** (Acts 13:32-33). The **begetting** is here understood not as the beginning of Jesus's existence, for He is eternally begotten of the Father, but as His vindication and installation into a new, powerful mode of existence as the glorified God-Man. The resurrection was the definitive, public declaration to the world that Jesus is the Son of God in power.

The sonship was not only declared at the end of His life but at the very beginning of His public ministry. At Jesus's baptism, as He emerged from the waters of the Jordan, the heavens were open, and the voice of the Father echoed with the same essence as Psalm 2:7: **This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased** (Matthew 3:17). This event served as His divine commissioning and anointing as the Messianic King and Suffering Servant. Jesus Christ is identified as the unique Son and is empowered for His mission. This Trinitarian revelation, the Son in the water, the Spirit descending like a dove, and the Father's voice, affirmed that His authority to rule and to save was not derived but inherent and recognized.

This divine sonship was reaffirmed at the Transfiguration. On the mountain, before Peter, James, and John, Jesus's divine nature shone through His humanity, and once again the voice from the cloud declared, **This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!** (Matthew 17:5) This event was a preview of His resurrected glory and a powerful confirmation that He is the ultimate **Prophet like Moses from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear** (Deuteronomy 18:15). The Transfiguration connects Psalm 2:7's royal decree with the reality of His divine glory, demonstrating that His Sonship encompasses both kingly authority and radiant, holy divinity.

The author of Hebrews applies Psalm 2:7 directly to Christ's superiority over angels and His eternal, essential nature. The epistle opens by stating that God has spoken to us by **His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds** (Hebrews 1:2). It then argues for Christ's supremacy by quoting the same: **For to which of the angels did God ever say, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten You'?** (Hebrews 1:5). The begetting here refers to the eternal generation of the Son, an everlasting relationship within the Godhead where the Son is eternally from the Father, sharing the same divine essence.

Hebrews 5:5-6 states that: *So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: 'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.'* As He also says in another place: *'You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.'* This links Jesus Christ's royal sonship with His priestly role, showing that His authority to save and intercede is rooted in His unique identity as the divine Son.

The theme of Psalm 2 is consummated in Christ's ultimate victory and reign. The psalm speaks of the nations as an inheritance and the ends of the earth as a possession. *Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession* (Psalm 2:8). This is directly fulfilled in the Great Commission, *And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age'* (Matthew 28:18).

The book of Revelation 5:5-10 portrays the fulfilled reality of the Psalm 2:8 and Matthew 28:18 decree: *But one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals.'* And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying:

*You are worthy to take the scroll,
For You were slain,
And have redeemed us to God by Your blood
Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,
And have made us kings and priests to our God;
And we shall reign on the earth.*

Jesus Christ is the ultimate Son who crushes the rebellion of sin and death, establishes an everlasting kingdom, and invites all to take refuge in Him, thus fulfilling every aspect of the psalmist's decree: as the eternal Son, the incarnate Messiah, the resurrected Lord, and the reigning King of kings.

LET US PRAY THAT WE MAY:

- experience the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ in our daily lives, thoughts, and actions.
- acknowledge His kingship over our lives, our families, our work, and our nation.
- be filled with a burning passion for God's glory.

Soli Deo Gloria – to God alone be the glory!
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