

Songs of Summer Psalm 110

We all have a song or two that when we hear it takes us back to those summer vibes. The lyrics and the melody take us back to the beach, the pool, the sunset, our friends, some of our best summer memories. Those songs have a special place in our memories. But there are also songs in Scripture that should take us back and remind us of who God is and what God has done. The Psalms are chocked full of songs of summer to listen to. This summer let's go back and listen to some of Scripture's best songs of summer.

Psalm 110 defined the early church because it promised, made sense of, and affirmed the worship of Jesus.

- As you reflect on the message, what stood out to you? What is something you are still thinking about?
- What is something from the message that challenged you? How are you wrestling with that challenge?
- · What question(s) do you have from the message?
- What is at least one practical takeaway from the message?

Psalm 110 A Psalm of David.

The LORD says to my Lord:
"Sit at my right hand,
until I make your enemies your footstool."

- 2 The Lord sends forth from Zion your mighty scepter. Rule in the midst of your enemies!
- 3 Your people will offer themselves freely on the day of your power, in holy garments; from the womb of the morning, the dew of your youth will be yours.
- 4 The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, "You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek."
- 5 The Lord is at your right hand; he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath.
- 6 He will execute judgment among the nations, filling them with corpses; he will shatter chiefs over the wide earth.
- 7 He will drink from the brook by the way; therefore he will lift up his head.
  - Psalm 110 is the most often quoted Old Testament passage in the New Testament.
     Yet most Christians today are not familiar with this psalm. Before Sunday how familiar with Psalm 110 were you?
  - Why do you think Christians today are less familiar with Psalm 110?
  - How did Psalm 110 promise hope for both Jews and Christians? Who did they believe this psalm pointed to?
  - How did Jews understand the Messiah? What kind of person were they expecting?

- Take a look at a few of the New Testament passages that quote or reference Psalm 110: Acts 2:34–35; 7:55–56; Romans 8:34; Ephesians 1:20; Colossians 3:1; Hebrews 1:3, 13; 8:1; 10:12; 1 Peter 3:22. Of the passages you read, how do these passages use Psalm 110 to teach about Jesus?
- We always emphasize the death and resurrection of Jesus (and rightly so), but we
  don't often consider Jesus' ascension, priestly intercession, and rule as king. Why
  are these acts as important to the gospel as Jesus' death and resurrection?
- The Lord Psalm 110 describes is both king (Psalm 110:1) and priest (110:4). How did Jesus fulfill this prophecy, serving as king-priest?
- Jesus himself quotes Psalm 110 in the Gospels. Look at Matthew 22:41–46. What
  is the point Jesus is trying to make about himself?
- In Psalm 110, Jesus is called "Lord" as well as described as "sitting at the right hand of God." How does these two truths demonstrate that Jesus is more than the Son of David; he's the Son of God?
- It was Jesus quoting Psalm 110 to affirm his divinity that led the early church to also recognize and affirm Jesus' divinity. How can we today recognize and affirm the divinity of Jesus?
- Take a moment to envision Philippians 2:9–11. What do you think that moment will be like?
- How can we return to what defined the earliest Christians, making Psalm 110 one of the defining songs of our faith?