



## Psalm 110 (Palm Sunday) Small Group Questions

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- Have someone read Psalm 110. What is the overall tone of the Psalm? What images, claims, or ideas stick out to you?
- In verse 1, who do you think is “the Lord,” and who do you think is “my Lord”? Why is there a distinction here?
  - Wesley said that verses 1-3 are about kingship. They show that Jesus is a true king. Where do you see kingly imagery in these verses?
  - What are some of the images or metaphors that the author uses to describe this king?
  - What do these verses tell us about Jesus as king? What kind of king is He?
  - One way this passage portrays Jesus is as an ultimate king. He possesses ultimate power. Why should this truth encourage Christians? Does it encourage you?
  - Wesley said that this passage shows that Jesus is not a king that we can force to get on our agenda. Why is that good news? What does this say about God?
  - How have you tried to force God onto your agenda? What does it look like for us to do this, even unintentionally?
  - When is a time when you’ve gotten on God’s agenda after trying to get him onto yours? What does it look like for Christians to make that switch?

- Wesley highlighted the word “until” in verse 1, saying that Jesus rules in the midst of our enemies, but we still have to wait on Jesus. What does it mean to wait on God?
  - What does waiting feel like? Why is it hard?
  - When have you had to wait on God? How did you do it?
  - How can waiting on God change us and shape us? What can we do while we wait?
- In verse 4, Wesley said that Jesus is here not only compared to a king, but also to a priest. What do you know about priests in the Old Testament? What was their function? Why did they matter?
  - How is the priesthood described in this passage? Who is Melchizedek?
  - How did Melchizedek’s priesthood differ from the later Levitical priesthood?
  - Later in the Bible, the author of Hebrews says that Jesus is a priest “in the order of Melchizedek.” How do you think that Jesus’ priesthood is like Melchizedek’s? Why is this important?
  - Wesley said that one reason that Jesus’ priesthood is important is because priests are intimate; they are involved in the lives of the people. And Jesus is involved in our lives. How have you experienced the intimacy of Jesus in your own life?
    - What does it look like to pursue intimacy with God?
    - What kinds of things might impede that intimacy?
    - How does intimacy with God compare with the intimacy we feel for family or friends? What makes it different? What makes it similar?
- Read verses 5-7. How does this imagery strike you? How should we read imagery like this as Christians?

- Wesley said that judgment is coming; Jesus is not just a nice guy—He comes to judge! What is God's judgment? What or who does He judge? Why does He do this?
- What happens when we remove judgment from Christianity? What happens to our faith when we do this?
- What did Wesley say about verse 7? How does this verse relate to God's judgment?
- How do we avoid God's judgment? How has Christ's death made God's judgment good news for us?