

CRYSTALLIZATION-STUDY OUTLINES

THE PSALMS (1)

Message Five

Christ in His Redeeming Death and Church-producing Resurrection

Scripture Reading: Psa. 22; Matt. 27:45-46; Heb. 2:10-12

- Psa 22:1 My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? / Why are You so far from saving me, / From the words of my groaning?
- Psa 22:2 O my God, I call out in the day, but You do not answer; / And in the night, but there is no rest for me.
- Psa 22:3 But You are holy, You who sit enthroned / Upon the praises of Israel.
- Psa 22:4 In You our fathers trusted; / They trusted and You rescued them.
- Psa 22:5 To You they cried out and were delivered; / In You they trusted and were not put to shame.
- Psa 22:6 But I am a worm and not a man, / A reproach of men and one despised by the people.
- Psa 22:7 All who see me deride me; / They sneer at me; they shake their heads, saying,
- Psa 22:8 He committed himself to Jehovah; let Him rescue him; / Let Him deliver him since He takes pleasure in him.
- Psa 22:9 But You are the One who drew me forth from the womb, / Who made me trust while at my mother's breasts.
- Psa 22:10 I was cast upon You from birth; / From my mother's womb You have been my God.
- Psa 22:11 Do not be far from me, / For trouble is near, / For there is none to help me.
- Psa 22:12 Many bulls surround me; / The mighty bulls of Bashan encompass me.
- Psa 22:13 They open their mouth at me, / Like a ravening and roaring lion.
- Psa 22:14 I am poured out like water, / And all my bones are out of joint. / My heart is like wax; / It is melted within me.
- Psa 22:15 My strength is dried up like a shard, / And my tongue is stuck to my jaws; / You have put me in the dust of death.
- Psa 22:16 For dogs surround me; / A company of evildoers encloses me; / They pierce my hands and feet.
- Psa 22:17 I count all my bones; / They look, they stare at me.
- Psa 22:18 They divide my garments to themselves, / And for my clothing they cast lots.
- Psa 22:19 But You, O Jehovah, be not far off; / O my help, hasten to aid me.
- Psa 22:20 Deliver my soul from the sword, / My precious life from the power of the dog;
- Psa 22:21 Save me from the mouth of the lion; / Indeed while I am in the horns of wild oxen, answer me.
- Psa 22:22 I will declare Your name to my brothers; / In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.
- Psa 22:23 You who fear Jehovah, praise Him! / All you seed of Jacob, glorify Him! / And stand in awe of Him, all you seed of Israel!
- Psa 22:24 For He has not despised nor detested / The affliction of him who is afflicted; / And He has not hidden His face from him; / But when he cried out to Him, He heard.
- Psa 22:25 From You comes my praise in the great assembly; / My vows will I pay before those who fear Him.
- Psa 22:26 The lowly will eat and be satisfied; / Those who seek after Jehovah will praise Him - / May your hearts live forever!
- Psa 22:27 All the ends of the earth / Will remember and return to Jehovah, / And all families of the nations / Will worship before You;
- Psa 22:28 For the kingdom is Jehovah's, / And He rules among the nations.
- Psa 22:29 All the flourishing of the earth / Will eat and worship. / All who go down into the dust will bow down before Him, / Even he who does not keep his soul alive.
- Psa 22:30 A seed will serve Him; / That which concerns the Lord will be told to a coming generation.
- Psa 22:31 They will come and declare His righteousness / To a people yet to be born, that He has done this.
- Matt 27:45 Now from the sixth hour darkness fell over all the land until the ninth hour.
- Matt 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is, My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?
- Heb 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and through whom are all things, in leading many sons into glory, to make the Author of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
- Heb 2:11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of One, for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brothers,
- Heb 2:12 Saying, "I will declare Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."

I. The subject of Psalm 22 is the Christ who has passed through His redeeming death and entered into His church-producing resurrection.

II. Psalm 22:1-21 gives a detailed picture of Christ in His suffering of death (cf. Isa. 53), as typified by David in his suffering:

- Isa 53:1 Who has believed our report? / And to whom has the arm of Jehovah been revealed?
Isa 53:2 For He grew up like a tender plant before Him, / And like a root out of dry ground. / He has no attracting form nor majesty that we should look upon Him, / Nor beautiful appearance that we should desire Him.
Isa 53:3 He was despised and forsaken of men, / A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; / And like one from whom men hide their faces, / He was despised; and we did not esteem Him.
Isa 53:4 Surely He has borne our sicknesses, / And carried our sorrows; / Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, / Smitten of God and afflicted.
Isa 53:5 But He was wounded because of our transgressions; / He was crushed because of our iniquities; / The chastening for our peace was upon Him, / And by His stripes we have been healed.
Isa 53:6 We all like sheep have gone astray; / Each of us has turned to his own way, / And Jehovah has caused the iniquity of us all / To fall on Him.
Isa 53:7 He was oppressed, and it was He who was afflicted, / Yet He did not open His mouth; / Like a lamb that is led to the slaughter / And like a sheep that is dumb before its shearers, / So He did not open His mouth.
Isa 53:8 By oppression and by judgment He was taken away; / And as for His generation, who among them had the thought / That He was cut off out of the land of the living / For the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due?
Isa 53:9 And they assigned His grave with the wicked, / But with a rich man in His death, / Although He had done no violence, / Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.
Isa 53:10 But Jehovah was pleased to crush Him, to afflict Him with grief. / When He makes Himself an offering for sin, / He will see a seed, He will extend His days, / And the pleasure of Jehovah will prosper in His hand.
Isa 53:11 He will see the fruit of the travail of His soul, / And He will be satisfied; / By the knowledge of Him, the righteous One, My Servant, will make the / many righteous, / And He will bear their iniquities.
Isa 53:12 Therefore I will divide to Him a portion with the Great, / And He will divide the spoil with the Strong; / Because He poured out His life unto death / And was numbered with the transgressors, / Yet He alone bore the sin of many / And interceded for the transgressors.

A. The question in Psalm 22:1 was spoken by David in his suffering, but it became a prophecy concerning Christ in His suffering of His redeeming death.

Psa 22:1 My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? / Why are You so far from saving me, / From the words of my groaning?

B. Verses 6 through 8 display Christ's suffering unto death through men's reproach, despising, deriding, sneering, headshaking, and mocking.

Psa 22:6 But I am a worm and not a man, / A reproach of men and one despised by the people.

Psa 22:7 All who see me deride me; / They sneer at me; they shake their heads, saying,

Psa 22:8 He committed himself to Jehovah; let Him rescue him; / Let Him deliver him since He takes pleasure in him.

C. Verses 9 through 11 show that while people were mocking Him and deriding Him, Christ trusted in God for deliverance, that is, for resurrection; He intended definitely to die and expected to be delivered from death, that is, to be resurrected from the dead—Luke 18:31-33; Heb. 5:7.

Psa 22:9 But You are the One who drew me forth from the womb, / Who made me trust while at my mother's breasts.

Psa 22:10 I was cast upon You from birth; / From my mother's womb You have been my God.

Psa 22:11 Do not be far from me, / For trouble is near, / For there is none to help me.

Luke 18:31 And taking the twelve aside, He said to them, Behold we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things which have been written through the prophets regarding the Son of Man will be accomplished,

Luke 18:32 For He will be delivered up to the Gentiles and will be mocked and outrageously treated and spit upon;

Luke 18:33 And when they have scourged Him, they will kill Him; and on the third day He will rise.

Heb 5:7 This One, in the days of His flesh, having offered up both petitions and supplications with strong crying and tears to Him who was able to save Him out of death and having been heard because of His piety,

D. Psalm 22:12-18 depicts in vivid detail how Christ passed through His suffering of crucifixion—Mark 15:16-37.

Psa 22:12 Many bulls surround me; / The mighty bulls of Bashan encompass me.

Psa 22:13 They open their mouth at me, / Like a ravening and roaring lion.
Psa 22:14 I am poured out like water, / And all my bones are out of joint. / My heart is like wax; / It is melted within me.
Psa 22:15 My strength is dried up like a shard, / And my tongue is stuck to my jaws; / You have put me in the dust of death.
Psa 22:16 For dogs surround me; / A company of evildoers encloses me; / They pierce my hands and feet.
Psa 22:17 I count all my bones; / They look, they stare at me.
Psa 22:18 They divide my garments to themselves, / And for my clothing they cast lots.
Mark 15:16 And the soldiers led Him away within the courtyard, that is, the praetorium, and called together the whole cohort.
Mark 15:17 And they clothed Him in purple and wove a thorny crown and put it around His head.
Mark 15:18 And they began to salute Him: Rejoice, King of the Jews!
Mark 15:19 And they beat His head with a reed and spat at Him. And kneeling down, they bowed before Him.
Mark 15:20 And when they had mocked Him, they stripped Him of the purple and put His garments on Him. And they led Him out to crucify Him.
Mark 15:21 And they compelled a certain passerby coming from the country, Simon a Cyrenian, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to take up His cross.
Mark 15:22 And they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is interpreted, the Place of a Skull.
Mark 15:23 And they tried to give Him wine mixed with myrrh, but He did not take it.
Mark 15:24 And they crucified Him and divided His garments, casting lots for them to see what each should take.
Mark 15:25 Now it was the third hour and they crucified Him.
Mark 15:26 And there was an inscription of the charge against Him inscribed: THE KING OF THE JEWS.
Mark 15:27 And with Him they crucified two robbers, one on His right and one on His left.
Mark 15:28 And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "And He was counted with the lawless."
Mark 15:29 And those who were passing by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, Aha! You who destroy the temple and build it in three days,
Mark 15:30 Save Yourself and come down from the cross!
Mark 15:31 Likewise also the chief priests with the scribes mocked Him with one another and said, He saved others; Himself He cannot save.
Mark 15:32 Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe. Those who were crucified with Him also reproached Him.
Mark 15:33 And when the sixth hour came, darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour.
Mark 15:34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is interpreted, My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?
Mark 15:35 And some of those standing by heard this and said, Behold, He is calling for Elijah.
Mark 15:36 And someone ran and filled a sponge with vinegar, and putting it on a reed, gave it to Him to drink, saying, Let Him be. Let us see if Elijah is coming to take Him down.
Mark 15:37 And Jesus let out a loud cry and expired.

E. God judged Christ and put Him into death for our redemption—Psa. 22:15:

- Psa 22:15 My strength is dried up like a shard, / And my tongue is stuck to my jaws; / You have put me in the dust of death.
1. On the one hand, man crucified the Lord Jesus; on the other hand, God killed Him:
 - a. In the first three hours that Christ was on the cross, He was persecuted by men for doing God's will.
 - b. In the last three hours, Christ was our Substitute, He became sin on our behalf, and He died a vicarious death to redeem us from our sins and from God's judgment—2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Pet. 3:18; 1 Cor. 15:3.

2 Cor 5:21 Him who did not know sin He made sin on our behalf that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

1 Pet 3:18 For Christ also has suffered once for sins, the Righteous on behalf of the unrighteous, that He might bring you to God, on the one hand being put to death in the flesh, but on the other, made alive in the spirit;

1 Cor 15:3 For I delivered to you, first of all, that which also I received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures;
 2. All the sin of the world was laid on Christ as the Lamb of God; God judged Him and put Him into death for our redemption—Isa. 53:6b, 10a; 1 Pet. 2:24a; John 1:29.

Isa 53:6b ... And Jehovah has caused the iniquity of us all / To fall on Him.

- Isa 53:10a But Jehovah was pleased to crush Him, to afflict Him with grief. / When He makes Himself an offering for sin, ...
- 1 Pet 2:24a Who Himself bore up our sins in His body on the tree, ...
- John 1:29 The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

F. On the cross Christ was forsaken by God—Psa. 22:1; Matt. 27:45-46:

Psa 22:1 My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? / Why are You so far from saving me, / From the words of my groaning?

Matt 27:45 Now from the sixth hour darkness fell over all the land until the ninth hour.

Matt 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is, My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?

1. While Christ was on the earth, God the Father was with Him all the time, but at a certain point in His crucifixion, God forsook Him—John 8:29; Matt. 27:45-46.

John 8:29 And He who sent Me is with Me; He has not left Me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to Him.

Matt 27:45 Now from the sixth hour darkness fell over all the land until the ninth hour.

Matt 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is, My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?

2. When the Lord Jesus died on the cross under God's judgment, He had God within Him essentially as His divine being; nevertheless, He was forsaken by the righteous and judging God economically—1:20; 3:16-17:

Matt 1:20 But while he pondered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife, for that which has been begotten in her is of the Holy Spirit.

Matt 3:16 And having been baptized, Jesus went up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him.

Matt 3:17 And behold, a voice out of the heavens, saying, This is My Son, the Beloved, in whom I have found My delight.

a. The Lord Jesus had been born of the Spirit; thus, the Spirit was one of the two essences of His being—1:20; Luke 1:35.

Matt 1:20 But while he pondered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife, for that which has been begotten in her is of the Holy Spirit.

Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.

b. Before the Spirit of God descended and came upon the Lord Jesus, He already had the Spirit of God within Him—Matt. 3:16.

Matt 3:16 And having been baptized, Jesus went up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him.

c. On the cross Christ, the God-man, presented Himself to God as the all-inclusive sacrifice through the eternal Spirit—Heb. 9:14.

Heb 9:14 How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

d. After God had counted Christ as a sinner to be our Substitute and had accepted His offering, God, as the Holy Spirit who had come upon Him, forsook Him—Matt. 27:46.

Matt 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is, My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?

3. Although God as the Spirit left the Lord Jesus economically, Christ nevertheless died as the Son of God, a God-man; hence, in His death there is a divine and eternal element—Acts 20:28; 1 John 1:7; Heb. 9:12.

- Acts 20:28 Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among whom the Holy Spirit has placed you as overseers to shepherd the church of God, which He obtained through His own blood.
- 1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.
- Heb 9:12 And not through the blood of goats and calves but through His own blood, entered once for all into the Holy of Holies, obtaining an eternal redemption.

III. After passing through His redeeming death, Christ entered into His church-producing resurrection—Psa. 22:22-31:

- Psa 22:22 I will declare Your name to my brothers; / In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.
- Psa 22:23 You who fear Jehovah, praise Him! / All you seed of Jacob, glorify Him! / And stand in awe of Him, all you seed of Israel!
- Psa 22:24 For He has not despised nor detested / The affliction of him who is afflicted; / And He has not hidden His face from him; / But when he cried out to Him, He heard.
- Psa 22:25 From You comes my praise in the great assembly; / My vows will I pay before those who fear Him.
- Psa 22:26 The lowly will eat and be satisfied; / Those who seek after Jehovah will praise Him - / May your hearts live forever!
- Psa 22:27 All the ends of the earth / Will remember and return to Jehovah, / And all families of the nations / Will worship before You;
- Psa 22:28 For the kingdom is Jehovah's, / And He rules among the nations.
- Psa 22:29 All the flourishing of the earth / Will eat and worship. / All who go down into the dust will bow down before Him, / Even he who does not keep his soul alive.
- Psa 22:30 A seed will serve Him; / That which concerns the Lord will be told to a coming generation.
- Psa 22:31 They will come and declare His righteousness / To a people yet to be born, that He has done this.

A. Verses 22 through 31 refer to Christ in His resurrection, as typified by Solomon in his kingly reign.

B. *I* in verse 22a is the resurrected Christ who declares the Father's name to His brothers—Heb. 2:12:

Psa 22:22a I will declare Your name to my brothers; ...

Heb 2:12 Saying, "I will declare Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."

1. It was in His resurrection that Christ called His disciples His brothers, for in God's eternal view His disciples were regenerated and became God's sons in Christ's resurrection—John 20:17; Matt. 28:10; 1 Pet. 1:3.

John 20:17 Jesus said to her, Do not touch Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brothers and say to them, I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God.

Matt 28:10 Then Jesus said to them, Do not be afraid. Go and report to My brothers that they should go into Galilee, and there they will see Me.

1 Pet 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has regenerated us unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

2. In His resurrection Christ Himself was begotten to be God's firstborn Son (Psa. 2:7; Acts 13:33) and became the life-giving Spirit (1 Cor. 15:45b), and all God's chosen and redeemed people were regenerated to be the many sons of God, the many brothers of Christ (Heb. 2:10-12; Rom. 8:29).

Psa 2:7 I will recount the decree of Jehovah; / He said to Me: You are My Son; / Today I have begotten You.

Acts 13:33 That God has fully fulfilled this promise to us their children in raising up Jesus, as it is also written in the second Psalm, "You are My Son; today I have begotten You."

1 Cor 15:45b ... the last Adam became a life-giving Spirit.

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and through whom are all things, in leading many sons into glory, to make the Author of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Heb 2:11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of One, for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brothers,

Heb 2:12 Saying, "I will declare Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."

Rom 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

C. In Psalm 22:22b the assembly signifies the church, indicating that the Lord's brothers constitute the church; thus, His resurrection is the church-producing resurrection—Heb. 2:10-12:

Psa 22:22b ... In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and through whom are all things, in leading many sons into glory, to make the Author of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Heb 2:11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of One, for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brothers,

Heb 2:12 Saying, "I will declare Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."

1. The church is a living composition of the many sons of God, who are the many brothers of Christ, brought forth in His resurrection—vv. 10-12.

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and through whom are all things, in leading many sons into glory, to make the Author of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Heb 2:11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of One, for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brothers,

Heb 2:12 Saying, "I will declare Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."

2. As the many brothers of Christ, we are the same as the firstborn Son; He is divine and human, and we are human and divine, and thus the church is both human and divine—an organism with two lives and two natures combined and mingled together—v. 11; 1:6; Rom. 8:29; cf. Lev. 2.

Heb 2:11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of One, for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brothers,

Heb 1:6 And when He brings again the Firstborn into the inhabited earth, He says, "And let all the angels of God worship Him."

Rom 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

Lev 2:1 And when anyone presents an offering of a meal offering to Jehovah, his offering shall be of fine flour; and he shall pour oil on it and put frankincense on it.

Lev 2:2 Then he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests, and he shall take from it his handful of its fine flour and of its oil with all its frankincense. And the priest shall burn it as its memorial portion on the altar, an offering by fire, a satisfying fragrance to Jehovah.

Lev 2:3 And what is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'; it is a thing most holy of Jehovah's offerings by fire.

Lev 2:4 And when you present an offering of a meal offering baked in the oven, it shall be of fine flour, unleavened cakes mingled with oil or unleavened wafers anointed with oil.

Lev 2:5 And if your offering is a meal offering baked on a flat plate, it shall be of fine flour mingled with oil, unleavened.

Lev 2:6 You shall break it in pieces and pour oil on it; it is a meal offering.

Lev 2:7 And if your offering is a meal offering made in a pot, it shall be made of fine flour with oil.

Lev 2:8 And you shall bring to Jehovah the meal offering that is made of these things and present it to the priest, and he shall bring it to the altar.

Lev 2:9 And the priest shall take up from the meal offering its memorial portion and shall burn it on the altar, an offering by fire, a satisfying fragrance to Jehovah.

Lev 2:10 And that which is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'; it is a thing most holy of Jehovah's offerings by fire.

Lev 2:11 No meal offering that you present to Jehovah shall be made with leaven, for you shall not burn any leaven or any honey as an offering by fire to Jehovah.

Lev 2:12 You may present them to Jehovah, as an offering of firstfruits, but they shall not be offered up for a satisfying fragrance on the altar.

Lev 2:13 And every offering of your meal offering you shall season with salt, and you shall not omit the salt of the covenant of your God from your meal offering; with all your offerings you shall present salt.

- Lev 2:14 And if you present a meal offering of firstfruits to Jehovah, you shall present for the meal offering of your firstfruits new grain roasted with fire, crushed grain of the fresh ear.
- Lev 2:15 And you shall put oil on it and place frankincense on it; it is a meal offering.
- Lev 2:16 And the priest shall burn as its memorial portion, some of its crushed grain and some of its oil, with all its frankincense, as an offering by fire to Jehovah.

D. In Psalm 22:22 *You* and *Your* refer to the Father:

Psa 22:22 I will declare Your name to my brothers; / In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.

1. In resurrection Christ declared the Father's name to His brothers and praised the Father in the church—Heb. 2:12.

Heb 2:12 Saying, "I will declare Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."

2. The praise in Psalm 22:22 is the firstborn Son's praising of the Father within the Father's many sons in the church meetings—Heb. 2:10, 12:

Psa 22:22 I will declare Your name to my brothers; / In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and through whom are all things, in leading many sons into glory, to make the Author of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Heb 2:12 Saying, "I will declare Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."

- a. It is not that the Son praises the Father apart from us and alone; rather, He praises within us and with us through our praising.
- b. When we, the many sons of God, meet as the church and praise the Father, the firstborn Son praises the Father in our praising—v. 12b; cf. Matt. 26:30.
Heb 2:12b ... in the midst of the church I will sing hymns of praise to You."
Matt 26:30 And after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

E. The church ushers in Christ's kingdom for Christ to rule over the nations; the church, produced by Christ's resurrection, is the reality of the kingdom and a precursor to the manifestation of the kingdom in the millennium—Psa. 22:27-28; Matt. 16:18-19; Rom. 14:17.

Psa 22:27 All the ends of the earth / Will remember and return to Jehovah, / And all families of the nations / Will worship before You;

Psa 22:28 For the kingdom is Jehovah's, / And He rules among the nations.

Matt 16:18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Matt 16:19 I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of the heavens, and whatever you bind on the earth shall have been bound in the heavens, and whatever you loose on the earth shall have been loosed in the heavens.

Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

F. Jehovah as Christ will rule over the nations in the millennial kingdom—Psa. 22:28; 2:8-9; Rev. 19:15; 20:4, 6.

Psa 22:28 For the kingdom is Jehovah's, / And He rules among the nations.

Psa 2:8 Ask of Me, / And I will give the nations as Your inheritance / And the limits of the earth as Your possession.

Psa 2:9 You will break them with an iron rod; / You will shatter them like a potter's vessel.

Rev 19:15 And out of His mouth proceeds a sharp sword, that with it He might smite the nations; and He will shepherd them with an iron rod; and He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.

Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of the testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and of those who had not worshipped the beast nor his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no authority, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.

G. The believers are the seed of Christ, and their declaring the Lord's righteousness (justification, salvation) to a coming generation refers to the preaching of the gospel—Psa. 22:30-31.

Psa 22:30 A seed will serve Him; / That which concerns the Lord will be told to a coming generation.

Psa 22:31 They will come and declare His righteousness / To a people yet to be born, that He has done this.