



Psalms 72

12/8/19 PM

A SONG OF SOLOMON

Introduction:

Superscription: "A *Psalm* of Solomon."

I. THE KING'S NATIONAL DOMAIN (72:1-7)

A. An Equitable Reign (vs. 1-4)

"Give the king Your judgments, O God, and Your righteousness to the king's son."

"may he judge Your people with righteousness"

"may he vindicate the afflicted...save the children...crush the oppressor"

B. An Eternal Reign (vs. 5-7)

"let them fear You while the sun endures"

"like rain...like showers"

"in his days may the righteous flourish"

II. THE KING'S INTERNATIONAL DOMAIN (72:8-17)

A. An Expansive Reign (vs. 8-11)

"rule from sea...to the ends of the earth"

"bow...lick the dust...bring presents...offer gifts" (1 Kings 4:21; 10:23-24)

Tarshish =
 Sheba =
 Seba =

"let...all nations serve him" (Philippians 2:10-11)

B. An Excellent Reign (vs. 12-14)

“he will deliver the needy when he cries for help”

“he will have compassion”

“he will rescue their life...their blood will be precious...in his sight”

C. An Economically Successful Reign (vs. 15-17)

“so may he live...let them pray for him continually”

“abundance of grain...fruit...vegetation”

“may his name endure forever...let all nations call him blessed” (Genesis 12:3; Galatians 3:8)

III. THE DOMAIN OF THE ONLY SUPERNATURAL KING (72:18-19)

A. Praise for His Works (vs. 18)

“Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, who alone works wonders.”

B. Praise for His Worth (vs. 19)

“blessed be His glorious name forever”

“may the whole earth be filled with His glory”

“Amen, and Amen.”

Postscript: (vs. 20)

“The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.”

Conclusion:

- 1) The Messiah will rule with absolute righteousness and His people will enjoy justice, peace, and prosperity (vs. 1-7).
- 2) The Messiah will have total dominion from sea to sea and all nations will honor Him with tribute and service (vs. 8-11).
- 3) The Messiah alone is worthy to receive eternal honor, tribute, and praise (vs. 12-19).

“We see on the shore of time the wrecks of the Caesars, the relics of the Moguls, and the last remnants of the Ottomans, Charlemagne, Maximilian, Napoleon, how they flit like shadows before us! They were and are not; but Jesus forever is! Many rulers have had their hour; the the Son of David has all hours and all ages as His own.”
– Charles Haddon Spurgeon