

**Women's Bible Study**  
**“The Piety of the Psalms”**

Week 3  
A Book about Christ

**I. *The whole Bible is about the Messiah:***

*And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. (Lk 24:27)*

*For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. (Jn 5:46)*

**II. *Sense in which this is so:***

1. Predictively
2. Typologically
3. Experientially

Luther says the Book of Psalms “should be precious and dear to us if only because it most clearly promises the death and resurrection of Christ, and describes His kingdom, and the nature and standing of all Christian people.”

### III. Case study:

<sup>1</sup>Why do the nations rage  
and the peoples plot in vain?  
<sup>2</sup>The kings of the earth set themselves,  
and the rulers take counsel together,  
against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying,  
<sup>3</sup>“Let us burst their bonds apart  
and cast away their cords from us.”  
<sup>4</sup>He who sits in the heavens laughs;  
the Lord holds them in derision.  
<sup>5</sup>Then he will speak to them in his wrath,  
and terrify them in his fury, saying,  
<sup>6</sup>“As for me, I have set my King  
on Zion, my holy hill.”  
<sup>7</sup>I will tell of the decree:  
The LORD said to me, “You are my Son;  
today I have begotten you.  
<sup>8</sup>Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth your possession.  
<sup>9</sup>You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.”  
<sup>10</sup>Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
be warned, O rulers of the earth.  
<sup>11</sup>Serve the LORD with fear,  
and rejoice with trembling.  
<sup>12</sup>Kiss the Son,  
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.(Ps 2:1-12)

#### 1. Application to Davidic monarchy:

*And he ruled over all the kings from the Euphrates to the land of the Philistines and to the border of Egypt. (2 Chron 9:26; cf 1 Kings 4:21)*

## 2. Application to Jesus Christ

<sup>25</sup> *who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit,*

*“‘Why did the Gentiles rage,  
and the peoples plot in vain?*

<sup>26</sup> *The kings of the earth set themselves,  
and the rulers were gathered together,  
against the Lord and against his Anointed’—*

<sup>27</sup> *for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant  
Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles  
and the peoples of Israel, <sup>28</sup> to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to  
take place. (Acts 4:25-28)*

<sup>5</sup> *So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him  
who said to him,*

*“You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you”; (Heb 5:5; cf Heb 1:5)*

*She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but  
her child was caught up to God and to his throne, (Rev 12:5; cf Rev 2:27; 19:15)*