

The King and His Beauty

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Psalm 45.
- B. Many of the psalms foretell of the Messiah. (Psalm 15, 69, 110, Luke 24)
- C. Psalms that picture the king: Psalm 2, 72, 45)
- D. Psalm 45 looks to the King and His beauty.

II. The psalm is a love song and a teaching song.

- A. Love makes a person ready to write.
- B. The King is fair beyond comparison.
- C. The King's words were gracious causing men to follow Him. The words of Jesus set free. (Isaiah 61)
- D. There is a figurative picture of the King vanquishing His enemies. (Ephesians 6)
 - 1. Jesus is meek and has humble righteousness.
 - 2. These are the weapons with which He defeats His enemies.
 - 3. We celebrate the power of Jesus to open up eyes.
- E. The reason for the King's power.
 - 1. God has anointed Jesus. (Hebrews 1)
 - 2. The King is addressed as God.
 - 3. He is both God and has a God demonstrating the secret of Jesus' incarnation.
 - 4. Jesus fulfilled all the offices, which required an anointing--prophet, priest, and king.

III. The relationship the King desires.

- A. He has come to find a bride.
- B. This wedding is provided for out of death--Christ died for us in order that He might present believers pure as a spotless bride.
- C. The King presents a place for His bride, the church.

D. The believer is made a partaker of the divine nature by Christ.

E. The believer is to leave the old nature behind so that the King will desire his beauty.

F. If the Lord is worshipped, as He should be, the world will turn.

Application questions:

1. Why is it important for Christians to reflect upon the beauty of Jesus?

2. What are some other words that describe Jesus and glorify Him as He is?

3. Reread Psalm 45 and spend some time in private worship glorifying Jesus for all that He has done in your life and all that He is.
