

## PSALM 110

### A royal psalm

*Affirming the victory of Israel's King*

#### PREPARATION:

*Carefully read Psalm 110 seeking to answer these questions about the text:*

1. Who is said to speak in this psalm? (v. 1) To whom does He speak? What is the first oracle from God to David's lord? (v. 1)
2. Where is David's lord to sit? What is He to accomplish during his reign?
3. In verse two the cooperation of God with His anointed is made known how? (v. 2) What decree does God give to him?
4. How will the king's people respond to him? (v. 3) How are they described?
5. How does the psalmist emphasize the certainty of the second oracle of God to His Anointed? (v. 4) What decree is made to Him?
6. This priesthood of the Lord's anointed was to last for how long? What is the significance of a priesthood "after the order of Melchizedek?"
7. Where is the Lord positioned in relation to His anointed? (v. 5) What does this assure that He will do? (v. 5b-6)
8. In v. 7 the king is pictured as doing what? Then what? What do you think this means?

**KEY QUESTION:**

Write in your own words below what you think is the main message of this psalm.

**FOR CLASS  
DISCUSSION:**



**Historical and cultural setting**

1. How does the NT help us with the issue of authorship? (Mk. 12:35-37)
2. If David then is the author of the psalm, then who is David's "lord"? (Saul? Someone else?)



**What does this psalm tell us about God and His people?**

**How does this psalm point to Jesus? What point is made in each of these passages that appeal to Psalm 110?**

Mt. 12:35-37 —  
Ac. 2:33-35 —  
Heb. 1:13 —  
Heb. 1:3 —  
Heb. 7:1-25 —  
Heb. 10:11-13 —  
1 Cor. 15:20-26 —

**How could the Christian apply the teaching of this psalm to his life today?**

