

# David Speaking Out Against His Enemies Part 2

by Chuck Smith

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*The sermon explores the significance of Psalm 109 and Psalm 110, and how they relate to the suffering and ascension of Christ, as well as the establishment of God's kingdom upon the earth.*

**Duration:** 25:04

**Scripture:** Psalm 109:20-110

**Topics:** "David"

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## Description

In this sermon, Pastor Chuck Smith continues his verse-by-verse study of the Bible, focusing on Psalm 109. David, the author of the psalm, prays for God's judgment on his adversaries and asks for deliverance based on God's mercy. Pastor Chuck emphasizes the importance of seeking God's counsel and strength, and encourages listeners to come to a full understanding and knowledge of God. He also introduces Pastor Chuck's Genesis commentary in an e-book format, which provides in-depth commentary and access to enhanced research studies by Christian scholars. The sermon concludes with David's plea for God's help and his trust in God's blessings and rejoicing.

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## Transcript

Oh, let the Son of God enfold you With His Spirit and His love Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul  
Oh, let Him have the things that mold you And His Spirit and His love We'll descend upon your life and  
make you whole Welcome to The Word for Today Featuring the Bible teaching of Pastor Chuck Smith Of  
Calvary Chapel, Costa Mesa, California Pastor Chuck is currently leading us on a verse-by-verse venture  
Through the entire Bible And on today's edition of The Word for Today We'll continue to follow David as he  
speaks out against his enemies So let's turn in our Bibles to the 109th Psalm As Pastor Chuck begins  
today's lesson with verse 20 Let this be the reward of my adversaries from the Lord And of them that  
speak evil against my soul But do thou for me, O God, the Lord, for thy

name's sake Because thy mercy is good, deliver me Now for those that oppose, those that reject Let your  
judgment fall, but for those that will call Then, Lord, let your mercy be displayed For I am poor and needy,  
my heart is wounded within me And this is the description of Christ And the reproaches and all that fell  
upon Him I'm gone like a shadow when it declines The sundial, the shadow goes down I'm like the shadow  
going down I'm tossed up and down as a locust My knees are weak through fasting And my flesh faileth of  
fatness I became also a reproach unto them And they looked upon me and they shook their heads Let's

read in conjunction with that, Matthew 26, 39 Help me, O Lord my God, O save me according to thy mercy  
That they may know that this is thy hand That thou, Lord, hast done it

Let them curse, but Lord, you bless And when they arise, let them be ashamed But let your servant rejoice  
Let my adversaries be clothed with shame And let them cover themselves with their own confusion As with  
a mantle I will greatly praise the Lord with my mouth Yea, I will praise him among the multitude For he  
shall stand at the right hand of the poor To save him from those that condemn his soul So, an interesting  
psalm A messianic psalm, a prophetic psalm Dealing with the treatment that Jesus was to receive And the  
judgment upon those who do not repent They will find themselves enemies of God They will find God as  
their adversary The Bible says, Woe unto him Who strives with his maker Today there are people who are  
saying All kinds of horrible and blasphemous things Against Jesus

Christ And when I hear people make these Blasphemous statements I cringe within Now, Psalm 110 Is  
another messianic psalm Psalm 109 more or less deals with the Suffering of Christ His being despised  
and rejected A man of sorrows, acquainted with griefs The cross is seen in Psalm 109 The betrayal by  
Judas, the cross, the suffering Psalm 110 is tied to Psalm 109 Because it goes right from the cross, 109  
Into the ascension, into glory And Christ, ascending triumphant into heaven Having paid the price for  
man's redemption Upon the cross, in 109 Being despised, rejected and all Psalm 110 then takes us on  
into heaven And the first verse begins in the heavenly scene When Christ entered into heaven After his  
ascension The first thing the father said to him was Sit thou at my right hand Until I

make thy enemies thy footstool In the previous chapter he speaks about the enemies Now the father says,  
okay, just sit down At my right hand, son I'll make your enemies your footstool That is, you'll put your foot  
on the neck of your enemies They'll be your footstool Now, the Lord, Yahweh Said unto my Lord, Adonai  
Notice the all capital letters, the LORD Indicating that it is the Hebrew name for God The second LORD in  
line one there Is capital L, small o-r-d Indicating that it is the Hebrew word Adonai Which is a title of  
lordship So, Yahweh said unto my Lord Jesus said to his disciples I mean, he said to the Pharisees rather  
What think ye of Christ, the Messiah?

Whose son is he? And they said, well, he's the son of David And he said, how is it then that David By the  
Holy Spirit called him Lord? And then he quotes this verse Now, Jesus said David wrote this So, how is it  
then that David called him Lord? By the Holy Spirit saying Yahweh said unto my Lord And it was a  
question that they could not answer Because it was a society that was totally A patriarchy type of society  
And the oldest father ruled over the entire family And that was always the case The oldest father ruled  
over the family He was the Adonai over the family And thus, no father in that strong Patriarch society  
would ever call his son Lord And if the Messiah is the son of David Then how come David called him  
Lord?

Adonai Who?

Can't figure that one out And they didn't But they didn't ask him any more questions after that either In the  
book of Hebrews Again, this ascribes this Scripture As referring to Jesus Christ And of his entrance into  
glory So, Jesus is at the right hand of the Father Exalted on high He is there just waiting For the Father To  
make his enemies his footstool God is waiting for the cup of the wrath to be filled The full blasphemy and  
indignation of man to be complete God is gracious He is long-suffering He is patient He is kind Or else he  
would have acted a long time ago And as I look around today One of the biggest mysteries in my mind Is  
that God has not already acted In bringing judgment against this generation It's much like Jesus said The

men of Sodom Will rise up with this generation In

the resurrection But they will condemn it And well might they condemn this generation Because we have exceeded their sins And so God has been long-suffering God has been patient But man unfortunately has misinterpreted that As tolerance or acceptance of man's evil Or indifference to what's going on God is removed God is indifferent He doesn't care None of the above He does care The wrath of his indignation is filling rapidly It will soon overflow And as you read Revelation from chapters 6-18 You will see Worse than what's in Psalm 109 That's mild Compared to what's going to happen To those who have rejected God's love Who have scorned God's grace Who have turned their back Upon his mercy So the Lord said unto my Lord Sit thou at my right hand Until I make thy enemies thy footstool The

Lord, now notice this is the Adonai So a reference to the Messiah Shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion Rule thou in the midst of thine enemies So here's a prophecy Of the coming kingdom age When Jesus will rule with a rod of iron From Zion over the world As he returns to establish God's kingdom upon the earth He will send forth the rod of his strength Out of Zion And he will rule in the midst of this world That had turned against him Thy people Hopefully this includes you and me Shall be willing in the day of thy power In the beauties of thy holiness From the womb of the morning For you have the dew of thy youth Now suddenly Here is an interesting scripture A prophecy concerning Jesus That Yahweh has sworn and will not repent That you are a priest forever After the order of

Melchizedek Now remember this was written by David Some thousand years before Christ And it is written by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit David by the mouth of the Holy Spirit wrote this psalm By the inspiration of the Spirit And in talking of the coming Messiah In talking of his priesthood He declared that he would be a priest forever After the order of Melchizedek Now David knew that the Messiah Was to come from the tribe of Judah Because he had the promise of God That God was going to build him a house And that there should never cease One of his descendants being upon the throne And David understood that to mean That the Messiah would come from David Which David was correct in that assumption How then could the Messiah be priest If he's from the tribe of Judah For it was the

Levitical tribe that was ordained of God To be the priestly tribe for the nation And the answer is there is another order of priests It is the order of Melchizedek That interesting person that we find In the book of Genesis Who met Abraham when he returned from the victory Over the five kings And gave to him bread and wine And received from Abraham The tithes of all of the spoils That he had taken from the sacking of these kings And he blessed Abraham Melchizedek whose name means Melech is king and Zedek is righteousness So he is the king of righteousness He was called in the scriptures the king of Salem Which probably is Jerusalem But Salem means peace So he's the king of peace, the king of righteousness Who is the king of righteousness?

Who is the king of peace?

It's Jesus Christ And so here is Melchizedek Bringing to Abraham The symbols of communion with God Bread and wine And he receives tithes of Abraham And he blesses Abraham Better than the priesthood of Levi For the priesthood of Levi was subservient To the priesthood of Melchizedek For Abraham paying tithes and receiving a blessing The lesser is blessed always by the greater And Levi you remember Hebrews Who was still in the loins of Abraham so to speak He was still there in the potential Gene structures and so forth And thus in Abraham was subservient To the priesthood of Melchizedek So God has established a higher order of priesthood Not one after Levi which When Aaron died his son took over

And his son died and the next son Which passed on from generation to generation They did not have

a continuing priesthood But Jesus Christ has a continuing priesthood He is a priest forever The Levitical priest had to offer for their own sins Because they were guilty of sinning too And before the high priest could take the offering for the nation Before God into the Holy of Holies He had to first of all make an offering for his own sin And offer that to the Lord And then he would offer for the sins of the nation But Christ became the sin offering Perfect, holy, without sin Did not have to offer first for his own sin But offered himself once and for all Now it was necessary that the Levitical high priest Go in every year, twice actually on the one day Yom Kippur was the day he went in And he went in twice on that day But it was necessary that he do this year after year After year after

year after year Which meant that the sacrifices weren't sufficient They weren't holding So there was the necessity of the continual sacrificing And every day they would offer these sacrifices Sin offerings and so forth And on the one day of the year Into the Holy of Holies for the sins of the nation Individually, day by day by day Now if I had to offer sin offerings Every time I sin I would have run out of animals and birds It would have depleted the world a long time ago Jesus by the one sacrifice Once and for all Perfect sacrifice It was impossible that the blood of bulls and goats Could put away his sins All they could do was make a covering A kofar for the sin But the blood of Jesus Christ puts away our sin The priest entered into the earthly tabernacle That was built by man as a

model of the heavenly Jesus did not enter into the earthly Which was the model of the heavenly But into heaven itself With the blood of his own sacrifice Offered before God as a sin offering for the world Received by God And wherefore He is able now to save unto the uttermost All who will come unto God by him Seeing he ever lives to make intercession for them He is the great high priest interceding for us Ever living to make intercession for us Paul said who is he that condemneth that is Christ who has died Yea rather is risen again And is even at the right hand of the Father Making intercession for us At the right hand exalted The Lord said unto my Lord sit thou at my right hand And so this Psalm 110 fits Into the book of Hebrews Into the New Testament It is the story of what happened

when Jesus arrived in heaven After his sojourn on the earth And the horrible ignominious death on the cross The despising, the rejection, the shame Of Psalm 109 Now in Psalm 110 the Father says alright son you just sit down At my right hand I'll take care of things Till I make thy enemies thy footstool For I have sworn and I won't change You are a priest forever After the order of Melchizedek A higher order of priesthood The perfect priesthood Many people believe that Melchizedek was none other than Jesus Christ We don't know anything about his genealogy Which was so important for the Levitical priesthood We don't know anything about his posterity He just appears on the scene And just as quickly disappears from the scene And a thousand years later approximately Pops into the scene again

in a Psalm And then disappears again For a thousand years And then he appears once more As the Messiah Jesus when talking to the Pharisees Disputing with them And they started talking about their father Abraham They said we are the sons of Abraham We've never been in bondage to anybody He said if you were Abraham's children Then you would have believed in me Because Abraham rejoiced to see my day And he saw it That made them mad They said what do you mean Abraham saw you?

You're not even 50 years old What are you talking about? And Jesus said before Abraham was I am But he was probably talking about Abraham meeting Melchizedek The king of righteousness The king of peace Who was the priest of the Most High God And God is sworn and will not change Thou art a priest

forever After the order of Melchizedek We'll return with more of our verse by verse study Through the Psalms in our next lesson As we focus on The fulfillment in Jesus Christ And we do hope you'll make plans to join us But right now I'd like to remind you That if you missed any part of today's message Or perhaps you'd like to order a copy For that special friend or loved one You can do so by simply contacting One of our customer service representatives And they'd be more than happy to assist you With the ordering details Simply call 1-800-272-WORD And phone orders can be taken Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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