

RESISTANCE IS FUTILE

Psalm 2:4-6, He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill." (ESV)

As we discussed in the previous article, people choose to act out of selfishness. They form groups along regional, ethnic, or ideological lines and push their own agenda, even if that involves the use of force or violence against other groups. They deny the authority and rule of Yahweh and of Jesus as the anointed King.

How does God respond to these blatant acts of rebellion? He laughs! He laughs like you would in an amused yet irritated way watching a child in the throes of a temper tantrum. It may be funny at first, but the humor wears off quickly and the silliness and futility are all that remains.

Humanity's temper tantrums will ultimately prove just as futile. Our God reigns. Jesus is King and is ruling over his kingdom. God will right every wrong and punish those who choose not to submit to his authority. It is our responsibility to live as citizens of the kingdom of heaven.

Am I more concerned with proclaiming the kingship and authority of Jesus than I am in pushing any kind of political/social agenda. Do I wish for negative things to happen to those with whom I disagree. Do I hope that other people groups "get what's coming?"

Let's make sure that we are not resisting the will of our King. I don't want to get what I deserve - I want to receive mercy. Let's show others grace in the same way and to the same degree that God has gifted his grace to us.

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