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**What is So Important About a
Messiah?**

**“The Seated Divine King Who Awaits
His Kingdom”
Psalms 2, 110**

What is a Messiah?

מָשִׁיחַ. (*māšîaḥ*) *anointed one, appointed one.*

Used of priests, kings, and others whom God appoints to a task; also used of Cyrus, King of Persia; and the pre-fall Satan—the anointed cherub.

Psa. 2:2, “The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying,”

Dan. 9:25, “Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the command to restore and build Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince, there shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublesome times.

Dan. 9:26, “And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, and till the end of the war desolations are determined.”

**Every prophet prophesied only of the days of the
Messiah (b. Berachot 34b)**

~Rabbi Jochanan ben Zakkai

DAVIDIC COVENANT

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2 Sam 7:12–16

Psa. 89

1 Chron. 17:11–14

ETERNAL HOUSE

2 Sam 7:11, 13a, 16

1 Chron 17:10

ETERNAL KINGDOM

2 Sam. 7:12c

1 Chron. 17:14

ETERNAL THRONE

2 Sam 7:13b

1 Chron. 17:12b, 14

2 Sam. 7:12, “When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.

2 Sam. 7:13, “He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.”

2 Sam. 7:16, “And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever.”

עַד-עוֹלָם

ad- 'olam

until or to forever

Psa. 2:1, “Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing?”

Psa. 2:2, “The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against His Anointed [*Meshiach*], saying,

Psa. 2:3, “Let us break their bonds in pieces and cast away their cords from us.”

Psa. 2:4, “He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; the LORD shall hold them in derision.

Psa. 2:5, “Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, and distress them in His deep displeasure:

Psa. 2:6, “Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion.”

Psa. 2:7, “I will declare the decree: the LORD has said to Me, ‘You are My Son, today I have begotten You.

Psa. 2:8, “ ‘Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession.

Psa. 2:9, “ ‘You shall break them with a rod of iron; you shall dash them to pieces like a potter’s vessel.’ ”

Midrash Tehillim 2:10,

“God, speaking to the Messiah says: If thou dost ask for dominion over the nations, already they are thine inheritance; if for the ends of the earth, already they are thy possession.”

Psa. 2:10, “Now therefore, be wise, O kings; be instructed, you judges of the earth.

Psa. 2:11, “Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

Psa. 2:12, “Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.”

Psa. 110 A Psalm of David.

2 Sam. 23:1, “Now these *are* the last words of David.

***Thus* says David the son of Jesse;**

Thus* says the man raised up on high, [עַלְּ *‘al

but in the LXX *peri* “concerning”]

***Thus* says the man raised up concerning**

The anointed [*Meshiach*] of the God of Jacob,

And the sweet psalmist of Israel:”

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נאום *naum*

Utterance, oracle; indicates a divine revelation.

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My Lord אֲדֹנָי (ʾădōnāy) vs אֲדֹנָי (ʾădōnāy) (always used of God),

except in Josh 5:14; Judges 6:13 – to the angel of the Lord

Psa. 110:1, “The oracle of *YHWH* to my Lord,

‘Sit at My right hand,

till I make Your enemies Your footstool.’ ”

Psa. 110:2,

**“The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength
out of Zion.**

Rule in the midst of Your enemies!”

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**Psa. 110:3,
“Your people shall be volunteers
in the day of Your power;
in the beauties of holiness,
from the womb of the morning,
~~You have the dew of~~ Your youth. [Huh?]**

**Literally: from the womb of the dawn/morning, your
youth [*yalduteyka*]**

**However, the LXX as well as a number of other ancient
Hebrew mss read, “from the womb of the dawn, I have
begotten you. [*yelidtika*]” cf., Psa 2:7**

y l d t k

Psa. 2:7, “I will declare the decree: the LORD has said to Me, ‘You are My Son, today I have begotten You.’ ” [*yelidtika*]

Dan. 7:13, “I was watching in the night visions, and behold, one like the Son of Man, coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him.

Dan. 7:14, “Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom the one which shall not be destroyed.”

**Psa. 110:4, “The LORD has sworn and will not
relent, ‘You are a priest forever according to the
order of Melchizedek.’ ” [Gen. 14; cf., Hebrews 7]**

Psa. 110:5, “The Lord is at Your right hand; He shall execute kings in the day of His wrath.”

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The One at the right hand is the *Messiach*

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Psa. 110:6, “He shall judge among the nations, He shall fill the places with dead bodies, He shall execute the heads of many countries.

Psa. 110:7, “He shall drink of the brook by the wayside; therefore He shall lift up the head.”

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