

Psalm 2

1. Why do the nations conspire, \* and the peoples plot in vain?

They arise, the kings of the earth; \* princes plot against the LORD and his Anointed.

"Let us burst asun*der their* fetters. \*
Let us cast off from us *their* chains."

2. He who sits in the *heavens* laughs; \* the LORD derides *and* mocks them.

Then he will speak *in his* anger, \*
his rage will strike them *with* terror.

"It is I who have appointed my king \* on Sion, my holy mountain."

- 3. I will announce the decree of the LORD: †
  The LORD said to me, "You are my Son. \*
  It is I who have begotten you this day.
- 4. With a rod of iron you will rule them; \* like a potter's jar you will shatter them."