

## Psalm 110:5-7; Psalm 98:1-9

*New American Standard Version*

### Psalm 110:5-7

- <sup>5</sup> The Lord is at Your right hand;  
He will shatter kings in the day of His wrath.
- <sup>6</sup> He will judge among the nations,  
He will fill *them* with corpses,  
He will shatter the chief men over a broad country.
- <sup>7</sup> He will drink from the brook by the wayside;  
Therefore He will lift up *His* head.

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### Psalm 98:1-9

- O sing to the LORD a new song,  
For He has done wonderful things,  
His right hand and His holy arm have gained the  
victory for Him.
- <sup>2</sup> The LORD has made known His salvation;  
He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the  
nations.
- <sup>3</sup> He has remembered His lovingkindness and His  
faithfulness to the house of Israel;  
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our  
God.
- <sup>4</sup> Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;  
Break forth and sing for joy and sing praises.
- <sup>5</sup> Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,  
With the lyre and the sound of melody.
- <sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
Shout joyfully before the King, the LORD.
- <sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar and all it contains,  
The world and those who dwell in it.
- <sup>8</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands,  
Let the mountains sing together for joy  
<sup>9</sup> Before the LORD, for He is coming to judge the earth;  
He will judge the world with righteousness  
And the peoples with equity.

### ... He will come again to judge the living and the dead...

#### **Observation (What does it say?):**

*What do you notice in these passages?*

- *Repeated words or ideas?*
- *Comparisons or contrasts?*
- *Purpose or explanation?*
- *Unusual or symbolic language?*
- *“Tone” or “mood”?*
- *Other observations?*

#### **Interpretation (What does it mean?):**

*After observing the passages:*

- *What do these two Psalms have in common?  
How are they similar? How do they differ?*
- *What parts seem clear and straightforward?*
- *What parts seem unclear or confusing?*
- *What parts challenge your previous thinking?*
- *What questions come to mind as you read?*

#### **Application (What does it mean for me?):**

- *How might these passages affect your  
understanding of who God is and what He is  
doing?*
- *How might these passages affect your  
anticipation of Jesus returning and judging?*
- *What would be different (attitudes, behavior)  
if God used this passage to change you?*

**Additional questions for thought and discussion:**

- How do we reconcile (or do we) the dreadful picture of judgment in Psalm 110 and the joyful anticipation of Psalm 98?
- Why does this part of the Apostles' Creed mention only judgment when Jesus returns?

**Inductive Bible Study**

(A few general ideas)

**Observation**  
**(What does it say?)**

What facts do you **observe** about the passage that help bring out the writer's thought process?

- Who are the people involved?
- What action takes place?
- What type of literature is it (poetry, history, didactic, etc.)?
- What details are included or left out?
- Are any unusual words used?
- Is there symbolic language?
- What is the grammar of the passage (pronouns, prepositions, verb tenses)?
- Are words or ideas repeated?
- Any comparisons or contrasts?
- Any cause and effect?
- Are there indications of purpose ("in order that...")?
- Are there conclusions ("Therefore...")?
- Are there explanations?
- Does the passage logically break into sections?
- How would you summarize the passage?
- What would be a good "headline" for the passage?

**Interpretation**  
**(What does it mean?)**

What questions come to mind about the facts that would help you **interpret** the meaning?

- How would the original readers have understood the passage?
- What is the main emphasis?
- Why does the writer use repetition, or contrast, or unusual words?
- What does the grammar or structure of the passage reveal about the writer's thought pattern?
- Is there a logical sequence in the passage?
- How are different ideas in the passage connected?
- Are there any new ideas or concepts presented?
- Are there difficulties in the passage?

**Application**  
**(What does it mean for me?)**

What is the impact on your life? What **application** does the Holy Spirit want to show you?

- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a promise to be thankful for?
- Is there an attribute of God to worship?
- Is there an example to follow?

**Read nothing into the Scriptures, but draw everything from them, and suffer nothing to remain hidden that is really in them.**  
**J.A. Benjel (1687-1752)**