

I. Review

- A. The introduction and instructions given concerning this Psalm stand alone and are unique when compared to the other 149 psalms. There are 4 reasons given as to why.
1. Unique in Music - Set to specific beautiful music and instruments.
 2. Unique in Holiness - It was only to be led by the most skilled and anointed prophetic singers in David's tabernacle.
 3. Unique in Purpose - This psalm was dedicated as more than a song because it imparted the divine heart and wisdom of God.
 4. Unique in Love - This is the only Psalm called "The Song of Love".
 5. Unique in Composure - This song is written and sung by the Father concerning the theme of His Son, His Son's bride, and their wedding.
- B. The good theme that causes overflow -The Father presents us with the "Theme" or subject that causes His heart to overflow. It is the beauty of His Son in His identity as the bridegroom king who will rescue and deliver His bride, who has made herself ready for Him. They will together establish His kingdom in righteousness forever.
1. This psalm starts out and establishes itself upon the foundational truth of the unmatched beauty of the bridegroom king.
 - a. His identity - His nature and character is more beautiful and fairer than anyone in the order of humanity, both past and future. He is altogether lovely in every movement of His heart, mind, and actions.
 - b. His ministry - He ministers by the words of His mouth and every word He speaks is spoken in righteousness and effective to impart divine power to its intended receiver.

II. Verse by Verse Commentary

Gird your sword upon your thigh, O Mighty One, with your Glory and Majesty. (Ps. 45:3)

A. **Ps. 45:3** - Almost all Scholars apply this statement in light of the previous statement. In light of His proven nature, character, ministry, and corresponding blessing, He is now commissioned to go to war. As we looked at previously, the biblical context of humanity recognizing Him rightfully as the beautiful One is when He manifests Himself as a warrior who battles and defeats all wickedness and death. To gird your sword means to put it on with intent to draw it. The first coming of Jesus was for the most part hidden to the inhabitants of the earth. However, upon His return He will put His person and work on display worldwide and every eye on the planet will see it. (Is. 4:2-6; Mt. 24:30, 26:64; Rev. 1:7)

1. War in the Natural - The return of Jesus is the full unveiling of Jesus as the bridegroom king and happens in the context of military oppression and conflict. His people have been given into the hands of the AntiChrist for their purification in love and for the testimony of Jesus. They enter into their darkest hour, and just when all seems lost, He comes in glory and splendor, shattering their oppressors and delivering His people.
 - a. The Messiah will come to the earth as a warrior king in a physical battle and eliminate all wicked men who oppose Him from the earth through military warfare. Almost all scholars agree that this verse is a direct reference to that day when the Father will commission the Son to return to the earth and establish His kingdom through righteous judgments of physical force. This identity of Jesus as the man of war is obscure to most of the western church today but is the one of the pinnacle messianic promises in the scripture. (Ps. 110; Is. 34:1-8; Rev. 19:11-21; Ez. 39:11-29)
 - b. He's Coming for Her - The return of Jesus to the earth does not randomly happen, but rather, it is in context to His bride needing to be rescued from a worldwide movement led by the Antichrist to eliminate her from the earth. He calls this day, "the day of His vengeance", upon those who have refused to repent and who insist upon wickedness and oppression of His bride. (Is. 31:1-10, 59:14-21, 63:1-6; Mal. 4:1-3; Lk 21:20-28)

“The royal bridegroom is a man of war. His wedding does not excuse him from the field. On the contrary, it brings him to the field of battle, for He is to rescue His spouse by dint of sword out of her captivity, to conquer her heart, and to conquer for her, and then to marry her”. - Matthew Henry

- a. He's Coming because she Calls - The Father is going to produce a whole-hearted spotless bride worthy of His Son. The method by which He does this is by creating a context of difficulty in which she will cry out for Him to come. (Is. 25:1-12; Ps. 118; Lk. 13:34-35; Rev. 22:17,20)(Progression of Psalm 44-49)
2. War in the Spirit - Certainly there is an aspect of Jesus fighting on behalf of humanity with the sword of the Spirit. One would be mistaken to interpret this passage only in its primary context of the physical battle. He fights and defeats strongholds of darkness that wage war in our hearts and minds. Jesus is commissioned by the Father to wage war on all unrighteousness in every place, for what good is the victory over unrighteous men without a victory over the unrighteous heart? (Eph. 6:17; Heb. 4:12)
3. With your Glory and Majesty - He wields His sword in light of His glory and majesty and through His glory and majesty. He does not step out of His divine beautiful nature and character to take up the sword and execute vengeance, but rather his beautiful nature and character demand the work of the sword. (Deut. 33:26-29)

And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and righteousness; and your right hand shall teach you awesome things. (Ps. 45:4)

- B. **Ps. 45:4** - The warrior King has girded His sword upon His side and the day of vengeance and rescue has come. The brides' cries of, “Come, Lord Jesus, Come!”, have reached their crescendo and now the Father says, “Go now, Son, and ride forth in victory because truth, humility and righteousness demands it!” Not only is He coming because of these three things; he will operate in these three things as He comes to produce and cover the earth with these three things as a result of His coming.

1. Ride Victoriously - The hour for judgment upon all unrighteousness has come. The saints have cried out, "How long oh Lord until you stop the unrighteousness?" Now is the time. This is the moment we have all longed for; Jesus will come and have total victory and drive darkness off of the planet forever! He's not coming in hopes of victory. He will be prosperous and victorious in filling the earth with the Glory of God. (1 Cor. 1:7; Phil 3:20-21; 1 Tim. 4:8; Titus 2:11-15; 2 Pet. 3:12-14)

Truth will be ridiculed, meekness will be oppressed, and righteousness slain, unless the God, the Man in whom these precious things are incarnated, shall arise for their vindication. Our earnest petition ought ever to be that Jesus would lay his almighty arm to the work of grace lest the good cause languish and wickedness prevail. - C. Spurgeon

2. Truth - The first of the three main character traits that demands Jesus to return and produce in the earth is truth. Deception and false information will only continue to rise, and will crescendo to unprecedented heights and this will be catalytic in the timing of the Bridegroom's return. Our King is the fount of all truth. Upon setting up His government in the earth, He will begin to establish truth in every area of society. Not only does He desire to bring truth to the earth, but truth demands that He comes and rules the earth. (Is. 59:13-20; Dan. 8:12; Ps. 85:8-13; 96:13; Is. 65:14-18; Jn. 14:6; Rev. 19:11;)
3. Humility - The second character trait that demands Jesus to return and produce in the earth is humility. Even as the mighty warrior King, He will execute perfect justice upon evil without stepping into the area of revenge or murderous anger. The meek will be ever oppressed by the proud until He comes to establish humility and meekness and drive pride off the planet. The earth will be governed from meekness and a true heart posture to esteem others better than themselves. (Ps. 37:10-11; Is. 11:1-5; Zep. 2:3, 3:11-13; Mt. 5:5)
4. Righteousness - The third character trait that demands Jesus to return and produce in the earth is righteousness. We will look at this topic in far greater detail later on in this psalm. For now, we will focus upon His righteousness in His judgments as the mighty warrior. To those He loves He brings discipline, to turn them from death and destruction. Each judgment He brings as King is done in loving righteousness in order to turn people to righteousness. (Ps. 99:1-4; Jer. 33:14-16; Rev. 15:3-4)

In righteousness God will use the least severe means of judgment in order to bring as many people as possible to the greatest and deepest level of love. -Mike Bickle

- a. Slaying the Wicked - Many say, “How can executing the wicked be done in love and righteousness?” Can the righteous judge be righteous if he allows the murderer to continue to murder or the rapist continue to rape? There will be many who refuse to repent and turn to the Lord and receive the free gift of righteousness even though it has been offered to them countless times. For these individuals their hunger for wickedness will never be quenched and their work upon the earth will ever be death. The demand of righteousness is to bring justice and righteousness to Satan and His followers. To do less than this would be unloving and unjust. (Is. 11:1-5; 63:1-9; 2 Thes. 1:3-10)
5. Your right hand shall teach you awesome things - Just as Jesus, “learned obedience through suffering”, meaning that He had never felt suffering and “learned” what it was like to experience it and obey His Father through it, so too, He will “learn” what it is like to actually carry out His righteous judgments upon the earth and establish the literal Kingdom of God in the earth. This does not mean that He does not know how to literally rule the earth in truth, humility, and righteousness, but rather speaks of the fact that He will be doing something that has not been done before. (Heb. 5:8)

“Foreseeing the result of divine working, the psalmist prophesies that the uplifted arm of Messiah will reveal to the King's own eyes the terrible overthrow of his foes. Jesus needs no guide but his own right hand, no teacher but his own might; may he instruct us all in what he can perform, by achieving it speedily before our gladdened eyes.” - C. Spurgeon