

[Psalm 2: The Day of Wrath](#)

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In the [previous part](#) of this study on Psalm 2, we looked at verse 4 for the first reason why God is laughing at His enemies. Today I'll look at verse 5 for the second reason why God is laughing at His enemies.

A Day of Wrath

[Psalm 2:5](#) - *"Then He will speak to them in His anger and terrify them in His fury..."*

The second reason God is laughing is because *"He will speak to them in His anger and terrify them in His fury"* ([Psalm 2:5](#)). This statement refers to the fact that God has appointed a day when He will deal with all the kingdoms of the earth and their political leaders by pouring out His wrath through the return of His Son, Jesus the Messiah.

Paul spoke of this momentous day during his sermon on Mar's Hill in Athens: *"God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead"* ([Acts 17:30-31](#)).

This day is often mentioned by the Old Testament prophets. They called it *"the day of the Lord"* ([Joel 2:1](#)). The prophet Zephaniah described it as *"a day of wrath, trouble, distress, destruction, desolation, darkness and gloom"* ([Zephaniah 1:15](#)). He said that the Lord will bring such distress upon people that they will reel about, walking like blind men ([Zephaniah 1:17](#)).

Satan's False God

This day of wrath that God has reserved for the rebellious nations of the world and their leaders is one of the best kept secrets in the universe. Satan doesn't want anyone to know

about it. In his attempt to cover it up, he has created a false image of God that has been bought by both Christians and unbelievers.

The false god Satan wants us to believe in is a push-over that could be characterized as "the cosmic teddy bear." He is big and warm and soft and cuddly. And when we stand before him to be judged, he will put his arm around us, snuggle us up to him, and say, "I know you never accepted My Son as your Lord and Savior, but that's okay, because you were a lot better person than the reprobate who lived down the street from you. So you just come on into My kingdom and enjoy eternal life with Me."

No such namby-pamby god exists. He is a cruel hoax created by Satan. All of us stand condemned before the true God, for *"all of us like sheep have gone astray"* ([Isaiah 53:6](#)). Our only hope is through faith in Jesus ([Romans 3:21-24](#)). God does not grade on the curve nor is He some patsy who can be easily hoodwinked. God cannot be deceived or mocked ([Galatians 6:7](#)).

Yes, God is full of grace and mercy ([Psalm 86:15](#)), and He does not desire that any should perish ([2 Peter 3:9](#)), but He is also a God of perfect righteousness, holiness, and justice — and as such, He cannot countenance sin.

God must deal with sin, and He does so with either grace or wrath. That is why John the Baptist declared that every person on earth is under either the grace of God or His wrath ([John 3:36](#)).

In the next part of this study on Psalm 2, I'll look at verse 6 for the third reason why God is laughing at His enemies.

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