

Why Do the Restless Nations Madly Rage?

PSALM 2 - Genevan Psalter (altered)

Dorian

Dm B \flat /D G A

1. Why do the rest - less na - tions mad - ly rage?
 2. Though proud - ly now they raise their bat - tle cry,
 3. O peo - ples, lis - ten to the Lord's de - cree.
 4. Take heed, O rul - ers of the earth, and hear.

Dm F B \flat A7 Dm

What haugh - ty schemes are they in vain con - triv - ing?
 how vain is all their fren - zied op - po - si - tion!
 I will make known his roy - al dec - la - ra - tion:
 Be wise, O kings, and let his e - dict warn you.

Dm B \flat /D G A

The kings and rul - ers of the earth en - gage
 The Lord, who sits en - throned in heaven on high,
 "Your Fa - ther I be - come this ver - y day;
 Re - joice with trem - bling; serve the Lord with fear.

Dm F G B \flat A Dm

in rash at - tempts to plot their emp - ty striv - ing.
 laughs them to scorn: he holds them in de - ri - sion.
 you are my Son. To you I give the na - tions.
 Now kiss the Son, lest he in fu - ry scorn you,

Dm Dm9 F G Am Dm

They stand pre - pared, they all con - spire to - geth - er
 Then he will speak in wrath and in - dig - na - tion
 Ask what you will: your her - it - age I'll make them;
 lest in his wrath the Lord cause you to per - ish,

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Dm Am7/E F G A

a - gainst the Lord and his a - noint - ed King.
 and all their host will he with ter - ror fill:
 their lands you will pos - sess, both near and far,
 for quick - ly kin - dled is his an - ger's blaze.

Dm Am7/E F G A Dm

"Let us," they say, "tear loose and break their fet - ters,
 "I've set my King," so runs his proc - la - ma - tion,
 for with a rod of iron you shall break them,
 But all who trust in him the Lord will cher - ish;

Dm C B \flat A7 Dm

cast off their chains, their shack - les from us fling."
 "up - on Mount Zi - on, on my ho - ly hill."
 dash them to piec - es and like a pot - ter's jar."
 he will de - fend and bless them all their days.