

God's Protection of His Anointed One

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1 Samuel 18:6-30

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An Outworking of Psalm 2

- Psalm 2:1-3 – the world rages and plots in vain...
- Psalm 2:4-6 – God sovereign and holds them in derision
- Our narrative echoes this passage
- This passage is much like what leaders did to Jesus^{Act4:10-12}

The Raging Saul

- Saul is no longer subtle in attacking David^{19:1}
- Saul: a type of all who reject and don't embrace God's king
- Ask yourself – how am I rejecting or not embracing Jesus?

Four Times God Protects David

1: Jonathan Intervenes

- Jonathan intercedes and speaks to his father¹⁻⁴
- Jonathan confronts his own father. Jesus' warning^{Mt10:21-22}
- Love for God's anointed must take priority over all else!
- Saul listened... for a time... David restored⁶⁻⁷

2: David Evades

- Saul is blessed for bringing David back⁸
- But this further's Saul's resentment... Saul throws spear¹⁰
- Saul's true character comes out
- God enables David ability to evade the attack
- David flees... remains fugitive until Saul's death

3: Michal Deceives

- Saul is on warpath – stakes out David's house¹¹
- Michal hears - warns & helps David escape¹²
- Uses idol to put deception in the bed
- Michal likely not a believer^{256:19; 1518:19}, just loved David
- Michal again lies when confronted¹⁷, not prescriptive, descriptive

4: Spirit Invades & Confuses

- David fled to Samuel¹⁸, not that far from Saul
- Saul sends messengers to get David, Spirit distracts²¹ them
- Saul tried 3 times – great narration – emphasizes point
- Saul tries to come himself – Spirit came upon him also²³
- Saul ends up lying naked for night & day! Psa 2:4
- Saul can't thwart God's anointed no matter how hard he tries

So What?

- Are you fighting against God's anointed like Saul?
- Can't just say words – must live out faith^{James2:19}
- True belief in Christ has consequences in your life^{Lk9:26}
- Consider Abraham^{Gen15:6} His faith was real!
- Our faith will have life application^{Mt25:44}
- Look at see the great mercy God has shown you by sending Jesus, His anointed to be sin for you so that by faith you might be counted as righteous^{2Cor5:21}!