

c. Historical background...

It is not known to us but somethings may be assumed. Please note that the fact a psalm is messianic does not dismiss or negate whatever historical background may be known. The history does not lose its significance in the light of the prophecy.

d. N.T. usage, rather extensive:

v. 1.....Acts 4:25-26
v. 7.....Mt. 3:17
 Acts 13:33-35
 Heb. 1:5
v. 9.....Rev. 2:27 (!)

e. Interpretation analysis:

- (1) Obviously messianic and of the kingly character and appointment
- (2) Note the character of the speakers
- (3) Note the events of vs. 7
- (4) Note the character of instruction and conclusion

f. Summary:

This psalm emphasizes the Messianic intent and purpose of God in the face of the ridicule of unbelieving mankind. The same message is seen in Psalm 110 and later in Psalm 144. God will have His way and He will empower His Messiah to achieve it.

3. Now, at this point I am getting a little frustrated at my progress and so will serialize the chief remaining Messianic psalms of this character and note very briefly their prophetic contribution.

- a. Ps. 18....the establishment of the kingship
(see Romans 15:9)
- b. Ps. 20....God saves His anointed
- c. Ps. 21....the establishment of the king