Table: Psalm 2 Psalm 2, AV1611 versus NIV/NKJV footnotes

Verse	AV1611	NIV/NKJV footnotes
1	Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?	Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain?
2	The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying,	The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One.
3	Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.	"Let us break their chains," they say, "and throw off their fetters."
4	He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.	The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them.
5	Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.	Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying,
6	Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.	"I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill."
7	I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.	I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: He said to me, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father.
8	Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.	Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.
9	Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.	You will rule them with an iron scepter; you will dash them to pieces like pottery."
10	Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.	Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.
11	Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.	Serve the LORD with fear and rejoice with trembling.
12	Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.	Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you be destroyed in your way, for his wrath can flare up in a moment. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Note that many of the notes that follow this table are from Dr Ruckman's commentaries, *Volume I of the Book of Psalms*, Bible Baptist Bookstore, 1992, Psalm 2, pp 7-12, *The Book of Acts*, Bible Baptist Bookstore, 1974, pp 180-187 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* p 774.

Notes on Psalm 2

Introductory Note

Apart from Psalm 2:7, the complete fulfilment of Psalm 2 is future, at the Second Advent, as the following notes will show. Psalm 2 is a distinctly Messianic psalm.

1. Psalm 2:1-3. Psalm 2:1-2 are quoted in Acts 4:25-26.

"Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things? The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ."

The expression "Why <u>did</u> the heathen rage" i.e. past tense is a possible 'fast forward' of Psalm 2:1 as in Revelation 11:17-18, looking *back* from the distant future on the End Times and the Lord's subsequent earthly, millennial reign and coincident with the judgement of the Great White Throne, Revelation 20:11-15. See Dr Ruckman's commentary *The Book of Revelation* pp 274-275.

"...We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned. And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth."

Psalm 2:1, Acts 4:25 and Revelation 11:17-18 would then be an example of Isaiah 46:9-10. Prayer that "My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure" is a good intercessory prayer.

"Remember the former things of old: <u>for I am God</u>, <u>and there is none else</u>; <u>I am God</u>, <u>and there is none like me</u>, <u>Declaring the end from the beginning</u>, <u>and from ancient times the things that are not yet done</u>, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:"

As indicated above for most of Psalm 2, Psalm 2:1-2 was only partly fulfilled at the First Advent, as Acts 4:27 shows.

"For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both <u>Herod</u>, and <u>Pontius Pilate</u>, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,"

Acts 4:27 mentions only one actual king, namely "<u>king Herod</u>" Mark 6:14, see also Matthew 14:9, who as "tetrarch of <u>Galilee</u>" Luke 3:1, 23:6, 7 ruled only over that province. Luke 3:1 also refers to "Pontius Pilate being governor of <u>Judaea</u>" as a ruler, singular, but not a king. Psalm 2:2 however refers to "<u>The kings</u> of the earth" plural and "<u>the rulers</u>" plural, with respect to "<u>the earth</u>" collectively, not simply individual provinces of it.

Note further that "the <u>heathen</u> rage" in Psalm 2:1 but it was "the <u>people</u>" of the Jews, Mark 15:11, Luke 23:5, who raged "against the LORD, and against his anointed" at the First Advent and who therefore cried out "Crucify him... Crucify him" Mark 15:13, 14, Luke 23:21.

Revelation 16:8-11 show that "the <u>heathen</u> rage" at the Second Advent. They do so "against the LORD, and against his anointed."

"And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory. And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds."

"The people imagine a vain thing" at the Second Advent, according to Isaiah 28:14-18. Most of Isaiah 28:14-18 was by inspection not fulfilled at the First Advent. Only Isaiah 28:15 was

fulfilled *in type* by means of "the chief priests" who with "one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot...they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver" Matthew 26:14, 15, Judas being "the son of perdition" John 17:12, 2 Thessalonians 2:3.

Note that Isaiah 28:16 "Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste" matches Psalm 2:6 with respect to the future reign of "my king upon my holy hill of Zion."

Isaiah 28:14-18 reads as follows.

"Wherefore hear the word of the LORD, <u>ye scornful men</u>, <u>that rule this people which is in Jerusalem</u>. Because ye have said, <u>We have made a covenant with death</u>, <u>and with hell are we at agreement</u>; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves: Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste. Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: <u>and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place</u>. <u>And your covenant with death shall be disannulled</u>, <u>and your agreement with hell shall not stand</u>; <u>when the overflowing scourge shall pass through</u>, then ye shall be trodden down by it."

Apostate Israel in the End Times hopes that by means of "a covenant with death, and with hell" Daniel 9:27, Revelation 6:8, i.e. with "the son of perdition" aka "the beast" who is killed and resurrected, Revelation 13:1-4, that she will escape "the overflowing scourge" of God's judgement in the End Times. She won't. "The people imagine a vain thing."

"The kings of the earth" and their intent as expressed Psalm 2:3 are found in Revelation 17:12-14. Note the association between the kings and rulers that "take counsel together" and the ten kings who "have one mind" that is directed "against the LORD, and against his anointed."

"And the ten horns which thou sawest are <u>ten kings</u>, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. <u>These have one mind</u>, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. <u>These shall make war with the Lamb</u>, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful."

The getting together of "the heathen...against the LORD, and against his anointed" and their rulers is happening now, with the ungodly United Nations Assembly, according to God's judgement on "the heathen...against the LORD, and against his anointed" and their rulers, according to Zephaniah 3:8. Zephaniah 3:8 describes the "bands" and "cords" of Psalm 2:3.

"Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey: <u>for my</u> <u>determination is to gather the nations</u>, <u>that I may assemble the kingdoms</u>, <u>to pour upon them mine indignation</u>, <u>even all my fierce anger</u>: <u>for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy."</u>

(Note that God has "cords of a man" and "bands of love" Hosea 11:4 for His people but apostate Israel resisted them according to Hosea 11:7 "And my people are bent to backsliding from me: though they called them to the most High, none at all would exalt him.")

The end result will be at the Second Advent according to Matthew 13:27-30, 40-42. "The heathen...against the LORD, and against his anointed" and their rulers will not be able to break these bindings.

"So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow to-

gether until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn."

"As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth."

The complete fulfilment of Psalm 2:1-3 therefore is future, at the Second Advent.

2. <u>Psalm 2:4-5</u>. God has created three heavens, 2 Corinthians 12:2 and He occupies them all in His omnipresence but is not confined by them.

"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?" 1 Kings 8:27. See also 2 Chronicles 6:18.

Psalm 2:4-5 matches Proverbs 1:24-32. These passages will be fulfilled at the Second Advent. Look at what God says to "the heathen." Observe that God's wrath is just, however, in response to the refusal of "the heathen" to honour Him.

Note the warning to modern Britain in Proverbs 1:32.

"Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof: I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD: They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof. Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices. For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them."

God's derision at "the kings of the earth...and the rulers" Psalm 2:2 and the ease with which He can "vex them in his sore displeasure" is explained in Isaiah 40:17.

"All nations before him are as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity."

Isaiah 40:22-24 will therefore also be fulfilled at the Second Advent. Compare Daniel 2:35, 44, 45, Revelation 19:16-21.

"Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in: That bringeth the princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity. Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take them away as stubble."

Psalm 2:10-12 should therefore be obeyed before God's "sore displeasure" descends. Psalm 2:10-12 will certainly be obeyed by any and all surviving rulers after the Second Advent, Revelation 6:15-17.

3. Psalm 2:6. "My holy hill of Zion" is "at Jerusalem in mount Moriah" aka "the stronghold of Zion" Genesis 22:1, 2 Samuel 5:7, 2 Chronicles 3:1.

It is the Temple Mount where "Solomon began to build the house of the LORD." Isaiah 2:2-4 fixes the location and cross references with Psalm 2:6, both passages of scripture being fulfilled at the Second Advent. Isaiah 2:4 in particular describes the manner of the Lord's millennial reign, Revelation 20:4-6.

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

Where the Lord Jesus Christ was typified "by a ram caught in a thicket by its horns" Genesis 22:13, wearing "the crown of thorns" John 19:5, He will wear "many crowns" Revelation 19:12 at the Second Advents and "Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously" Isaiah 24:23.

The Dome of the Rock mosque is situated on the Temple Mount at present. It will come down, according to Amos 6:11, along with any and all of its ancillary buildings.

"For, behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house with breaches, and the little house with clefts."

Papal palaces, presidential palaces, princes' palaces, potentates' palaces of any kind with any occupant or owner "who hath resisted his will" Romans 9:19 will suffer the same fate at the Second Advent.

"And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of ivory shall perish, and the great houses shall have an end, saith the LORD" Amos 3:15.

It should be noted that, as Dr Ruckman has pointed out in *How To Teach Dispensational Truth* p 66, Psalm 2:6 describes the event that is of paramount importance to God. Psalm 2:7 describes an important day on God's calendar but Psalm 2:6 is really God's 'big day' and it is not the day of the incarnation, Luke 2:7, nor is it the day on which wicked men took His Son and "by wicked hands have crucified and slain" Acts 2:23 Him.

God's 'big day' is the day when His Son gets what is rightfully His, the whole earth, see Psalm 2:8, and sits down on David's throne in Jerusalem, Isaiah 2:2-4, 24:23 to reign as the Jewish Messiah, according to Acts 2:34-36. See also Psalm 110:1, Matthew 22:44, Mark 12:36, Luke 20:42, 43, Hebrews 1:13, these additional references emphasising the importance to God the Father of His 'big day' for His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

"For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, <u>The LORD said unto my Lord</u>, <u>Sit thou on my right hand</u>, <u>Until I make thy foes thy footstool</u>. <u>Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly</u>, that <u>God hath made that same Jesus</u>, <u>whom ye have crucified</u>, <u>both Lord and Christ</u>."

4. <u>Psalm 2:7</u>. Paul quotes Psalm 2:7 in Acts 13:33 in order to show that the Lord Jesus Christ is God's Son and that His resurrection, Romans 1:1-4 was proof of the virgin birth, Isaiah 7:14. See Dr Ruckman's commentary *The Book of Acts* pp 385-386.

"God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; <u>as</u> it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee."

Psalm 2:7 was fulfilled in Luke 1:30-32, 35.

"And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JE-SUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:"

"And the angel answered and said unto her, <u>The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee</u>, <u>and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee</u>: <u>therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God."</u>

Psalm 2:7 is the only verse in Psalm 2 that was entirely fulfilled at the First Advent, John 3:16, 18, 1 John 4:9. Note Psalm 2:7 bears witness the pre-incarnate existence of the Lord Jesus Christ, according to Micah 5:2. See also John 1:1-3, 14, 18.

"But thou, <u>Bethlehem Ephratah</u>, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, <u>yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel</u>; <u>whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting</u>."

5. <u>Psalm 2:8-9</u>. John Paton, missionary to the New Hebrides, claimed Psalm 2:8 as a missionary promise for the Great Commission, Matthew 28:18-20, and God honored it. However, Psalm 2:8 refers doctrinally to the Lord's reign on earth following the Second Advent, in the fulfillment of Psalm 2:6 and Isaiah 2:2-4. See point 3 above.

Psalm 2:9 with the expression "a rod of iron" cross-references to Psalm 110:2 "The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies" that describes the manner of the Lord's earthly reign after the Second Advent because "forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise" Daniel 2:40, with the Devil simply having tried to counterfeit the kingdom with his kingdom that the Lord overthrows Daniel 2:41-45 at the Second Advent, along with all other kingdoms, to set up His kingdom such that "it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever" Daniel 2:44.

The breaking in pieces consists in part of the Lord destroying His enemies' capacity and ultimately will to resist His rule, as Psalm 46:8-9 shows, showing also why Isaiah 2:44 will be fulfilled when the Lord returns for His earthly reign.

"Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth. <u>He</u> maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; <u>he breaketh the bow</u>, and cutteth the spear in <u>sunder</u>; <u>he burneth the chariot in the fire</u>."

Psalm 46:10 will then be fulfilled, cross-referencing with Psalm 2:8. "The heathen" won't have any choice.

"Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth."

Note also Psalm 50:22.

"Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver."

Note also Jeremiah 18:1-10 with respect to "the potter's house" and "the vessel that he made of clay," especially with respect to Jeremiah 18:9-10.

"And at what instant <u>I shall speak concerning a nation</u>, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it; <u>If it do evil in my sight</u>, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them."

Jeremiah 51:19-23 shows how extensively the Lord's breaking in pieces is inflicted at the Second Advent, where He appears to be wielding "the rod of thy strength out of Zion" Psalm 110:2 via Israel, against any opposition, ruthlessly. Observe that to "break in pieces" in the passage is the same as to "destroy," destruction being the opposite of construction, or building up, Jeremiah 18:10.

"The portion of Jacob is not like them; for he is the former of all things: and Israel is the rod of his inheritance: the LORD of hosts is his name. Thou art my battle axe and weapons of war: for with thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms; And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider; and with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider; With thee also will I break in pieces man and woman; and with thee will I break in pieces old and young; and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid; I will also break in pieces with thee the shepherd and his flock; and with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen; and with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers."

The expression "I…break in pieces" is used 9 times in the passage. It applies to individuals as well as earthly "weapons of war" Psalm 46:8-9 and no group is excluded. The severity of the Lord's judgement in Psalm 2:9, 46:8-9, 50:22, Jeremiah 18:10, 51:19-23, Daniel 2:44 is in retaliation for Satan's persecution of His people in the End Times, according to Psalm 7:1-2, which both compares and contrasts with Psalm 50:22. Compare Psalm 14:4, 16:4, Isaiah 6:13, 1 Peter 5:8, with respect to a literal 'mass' in the End Times. See this writer's study, The Lord – the Judge.

See www.timefortruth.co.uk/content/pages/documents/1309716580.pdf.

"O LORD my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me: Lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending it in pieces, while there is none to deliver."

Paul therefore sums up the Lord's earthly reign after the Second Advent in 1 Corinthians 15:25 and the breaking to pieces of all opposition.

"For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet."

Psalm 2:9 also cross-references to Revelation 2:27, 12:5, 19:15, all of which contain the expression "a rod of iron."

Revelation 2:27 refers doctrinally to those who "shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years" Revelation 20:6. Revelation 12:5 could refer to the Lord Jesus Christ but more likely refers to a particular Jewish deliverer in the End Times, as yet unidentified, according to Lamentations 4:20.

"The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen."

Revelation 19:15 definitely refers to the Lord Jesus Christ at the Second Advent and cross-references directly with Psalm 2:9.

"And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God."

Both Psalm 2:9 and Revelation 19:15 will be fulfilled violently, brutally and totally at the Second Advent.

See Dr Ruckman's commentary *The Book of Revelation* pp 64, 314-315, 501-502, 520, 534-537 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* pp 1067 1657.

6. Psalm 2:10-12. Psalm 2:10-12 have their fulfillment in Psalm 72:9, Isaiah 66:23-24 with reference to the millennial lake of fire, Isaiah 34:8-17, Zechariah 14:17-18. Note that "the way" in Psalm 2:12 is an application of "the way" in John 14:6 during the Lord's earthly reign according to Isaiah 2:3 "he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths." See point 3. Failure to learn "the way" or "his ways" is not a survivable option during the Lord's millennial earthly reign, even when "his wrath is kindled but a little," as in Hebrews 10:28, for example, for anyone having a low opinion of "the old testament" 2 Corinthians 3:14, like many Christians do now.

"He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:"

See Numbers 15:32-36.

Psalm 72:9 includes all surviving Mohammedans, Catholics, apostate Protestants, Marxists and other assorted anti-Semites at the Second Advent. They will "kiss my feet" Luke 7:45 literally, even though out "fear, and...trembling" not gratitude, Luke 7:38 but will be among those who obey Psalm 114:7 at the Second Advent.

"Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob;"

Psalm 72:9, Isaiah 66:23-24, Zechariah 14:17-18 read as follows.

"They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the dust."

"And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD. And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh."

"And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain. And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles."

As the woman did in Luke 7:38, it is better to apply the last part of Psalm 2:12 *now*, as in John 1:12, 6:37.

"Blessed are all they that put their trust in him."

- 7. The NIV is deficient in:
 - 7.1. Psalm 2:1. The NIV's alteration of "rage" to "conspire" and "imagine a vain thing" to "plot in vain" breaks the cross references to Revelation 11:17-18 and Isaiah 28:14-18 and in turn obscures the events of the End Times. See point 1.
 - 7.2. Psalm 2:2, 4. The NIV's alteration of "his anointed" to "his Anointed One" in Psalm 2:2 and "He" to "The One" in Psalm 2:4 is a blasphemous shift to New Age doctrine of God as "The Sexless 'One'." See New Age Versions by Dr Mrs Gail Riplinger, Chapter 5 The One vs. the Holy One. The NKJV promotes the same New Age doctrine of "The Sexless 'One'." See leaflet New King James Omissions, from A. V. Publications.
 - 7.3. Psalm 2:3. The NIV's alteration of "bands" and "cords" to "chains" and "fetters" breaks the cross references to Matthew 13:27-30, 40-42 and to God's mercy as expressed in Hosea 11:4.
 - 7.4. Psalm 2:7. The NIV's alteration of "begotten thee" to "become your Father" breaks the cross references to John 1:14, 18, 3:16, 18, 1 John 4:9 and obscures the identity of the Lord Jesus Christ as "the only begotten of the Father" John 1:14. Psalm 2:7 and John 1:14 in the NIV imply two individuals, one of the Father possibly by adoption, the other from the Father.

- 7.5. Psalm 2:9. The NIV's alteration of "potter's vessel" to "pottery" weakens the cross reference to Jeremiah 18:1-10. Note that the term "vessel" refers to an individual in Psalm 31:5, Jeremiah 22:28, Acts 9:15, Romans 9:21, 1 Thessalonians 4:4 and Israel collectively in Hosea 8:8 and the term "vessels" refers to individuals in 1 Samuel 21:5, Romans 9:22, 23, 2 Corinthians 4:7. God can easily according to Jeremiah 19:11 "break this people and this city, as one breaketh a potter's vessel." The NIV also weakens the cross reference to Jeremiah 19:11.
- 7.6. Psalm 2:12. The NIV's alteration of "the way" to "your way" is incorrect as Isaiah 2:3 shows. It also breaks the cross reference to John 14:6 and further obscures the events of the Second Advent and afterwards, in this case actually misrepresenting them. See point 5 and point 7.1 above. NIV users need Samuel.

"Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:" 1 Samuel 12:23.

