

Sermon Discussion Questions — May 29, 2016

Psalm 2, Hebrews 1:1-3 | Looking Unto Jesus, Not to Government

1. Introduction: Why is important for Christians to acquire a Biblical world view for all things, but especially in regards to politics during this election year?
2. Four observations were made from *Psalm 2*. Discuss ways in which you have either seen or experienced any of these four:
 - (a) antagonism toward God (vs. 1-2)
 - (b) rebellion against God (vs. 3)
 - (c) derision from God (vs. 4-5)
 - (d) the decree of God (vs. 6-12)
3. Ponder and discuss *Hebrews 1:1-3*. In what ways does this passage teach us something profound about:
 - (a) the person of Christ
 - (b) the work of Christ
 - (c) the sovereignty of Christ
4. What is the connection between *Psalm 2* and *Hebrews 1:1-5* ?
5. There were five general “zip codes” described in this message. Discuss each and identify the one that you tend to “live in” most frequently.
 - (a) idolatrous optimism
 - (b) disengaged pessimism
 - (c) bitter cynicism
 - (d) misguided activism
 - (e) humble & joyful triumphalism
6. What is the ground of (e) above? How does the gospel enable us to move and live there?
7. What would “repentance” look like for you personally if you have been residing in the wrong zip code?
8. Pastor Hopper repeatedly uses a three-fold description of the heart of the gospel. Discuss each individually. What kind of a “gospel” do you have if you remove any of the three? What kind of gospel do you have if you believe and trust all three?
 - (a) the bloody cross
 - (b) the empty tomb
 - (c) the occupied throne
9. Take time to praise God for the beauty and comprehensiveness of the gospel’s power in your life.