



# God's Lyrics: From the Great King's Playlist

## PSALM 21

### DAVID FACES THE DAY OF TROUBLE—WILL GOD ANSWER?

2 SAMUEL 12:26-31

Parallels with Psalm 21

David is wildly successful

David receives a crown of fine gold

the enemies were made to work at brick ovens

### GOD ANSWERS THE DESIRES OF HIS KING'S HEART . . .

vss. 2-3; Psalm 37:4; Psalm 138:8; Psalm 145:16;

2 Thessalonians 1:11

not because of who David is, has and does

all the attributes are **given to him** . . . verse 3 and 5

not his strength, but **in the LORD's strength** (verse 1 and 13)

### GOD ANSWERS THE DESIRES OF HIS KING'S HEART BEYOND THE KING'S EXPECTATIONS . . . .

1. He gives what will help us beyond our expectation

Jonathan Edwards' 1737 sermon:

He is not like us:

we don't want others to do well as us

we think others don't deserve to do well

we resent others because they've offended us

life . . . **forever and ever**

Daniel 2:4; Nehemiah 2:3

2 Samuel 7:13

. . . not in my lifetime but in my children's . . .

2. He takes away what would hurt us beyond our expectations  
when we align our heart's desire with His,

our enemies are his

a. the enemies of God's people then

BUT Jeremiah 27:5-6; 2 Kings 5:1-2

b. the enemies of God's people now

Ephesians 6:1; Col 2:13-15

BUT Acts 26:14-18; Acts 5

*The Church shall never perish!*

*Her dear Lord to defend, to guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end.*

*Though there be those who hate her, and false sons in her pale,*

*against both foe or traitor She ever shall prevail.*

Samuel J. Stone

### GOD ANSWERS THE DESIRES OF HIS KING'S HEART BEYOND THE KING'S EXPECTATIONS BECAUSE GOD HAS MADE A COVENANT WITH HIM AND THE KING TRUSTS IN THE LORD

1. The center of the Psalm : The king trusts in the LORD

48 before and 48 after (James Limburg)

unlike Ahaz (Isaiah 7:1-17)

2. The center of the universe;

the divine blessing

the ambiguity of 8-13

Daniel 7:13-14

4. Who is your King?

*But, above all, it was the design of the Holy Spirit here to direct the minds of the faithful to Christ, who was the end and perfection of this kingdom, and to teach them that they could not be saved except under the head which God himself had appointed over them.*

John Calvin

*We have this day restored the Sovereign to Whom all men ought to be obedient. He reigns in heaven and from the rising to the setting of the sun, let His kingdom come.*

Samuel Adams, July 1776

*God wants your happiness, but will not allow your small view of what you think will lead to your temporary happiness or your desire for short-term happiness to ruin your eternal happiness.*