**One Nation Under God - Part 1**

**Psalm 2**

Psalms 32:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

Proverbs 14:34 Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

**Psalm 2  1**Why do the nations rage  
    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,  
**3**“Let us burst their bonds apart  
    and cast away their cords from us.”

**Act 1- The Reality of National Rebellion**

verses 4-6.

**4**He who sits in the heavens laughs;  
    the Lord holds them in derision.  
**5**Then he will speak to them in his wrath,  
    and terrify them in his fury, saying,  
**6**“As for me, I have set my King  
    on Zion, my holy hill.”

**Act 2- The Response of Divine Control**

Jeremiah 18: **7**If at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, **8**and if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will relent of the disaster that I intended to do to it. **9**And if at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, **10**and if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will relent of the good that I had intended to do to it.

Romans 13:1  Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. 2Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment.

Psalm 47:8 God reigns over the nations.   God sits on his holy throne.

**7**I will tell of the decree:  
The Lord said to me, “You are my Son;  
    today I have begotten you.  
**8**Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
    and the ends of the earth your possession.  
**9**You shall break[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+2&version=ESV#fen-ESV-13955b)] them with a rod of iron  
    and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.”

**Act 3- The Establishment of a Messianic Reign**