



Psalm 110

The Messiah –
Son of David



Introduction

- Arguments and evidence are all very well, but there's a spiritual blindness that resists them but which can be penetrated by the truth as taught in the Old Testament scriptures.
- Ps 110 is in the '3rd David Collection' of Psalms, and would be known as a messianic Psalm if you were dividing the Psalms by theme, since its subject is the messiah, the Old Testament figure sent by God to the people of God to fulfil His promises and purposes – this is of course Jesus of Nazareth.

The Messiah as King (v1-3)

- It's important that the author of the Psalm is David himself – the king himself is talking about an even greater person, that he refers to as 'my Lord'.
- This is a human figure, a human descendent of David, Mark 12:36.
- His Kingship and Kingdom is contrary to their expectations, Luke 4:18f
- His Kingship divides all of humanity into those who are for Him and those who are against Him. v3, Rev 17:14.
- This King voluntarily gave up His position in order to achieve something that couldn't otherwise be achieved, Phil 2:8f



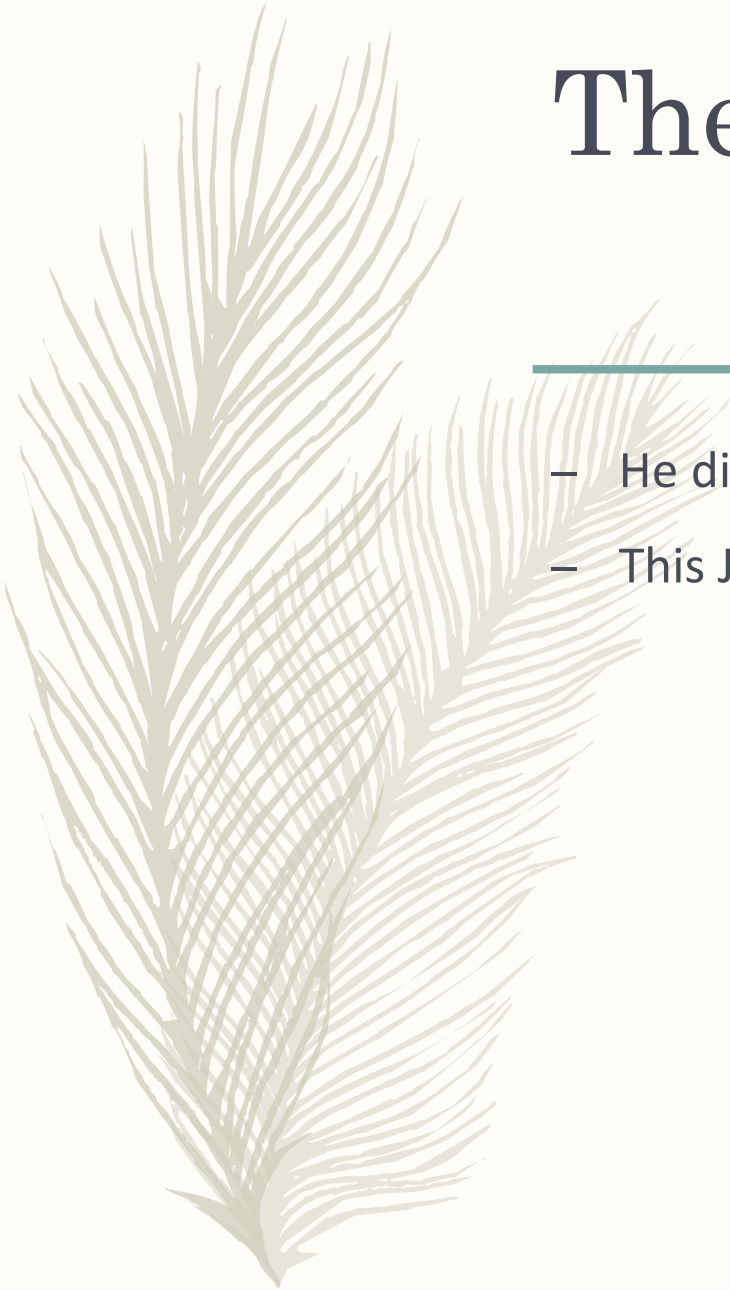
The Messiah as Priest (v4)

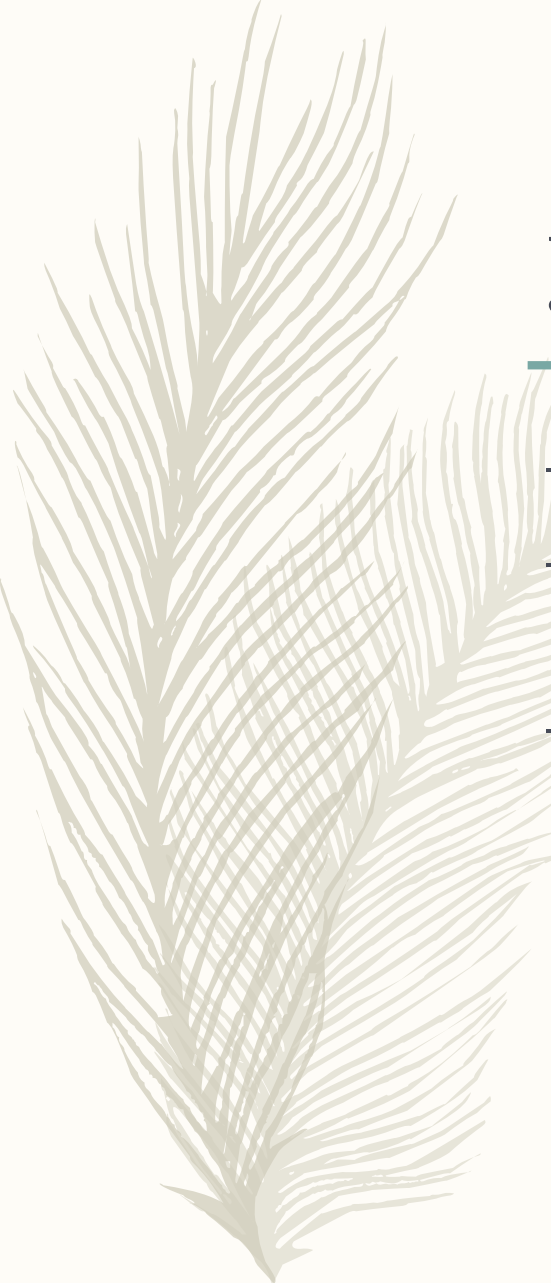
- The oath of appointment Psalm 2:7
- Melchizedek himself, Gen 14:18-20, greater even than Abraham the Melchizedek priesthood supercedes the Aaronic priesthood, Num 16, 18:7, Heb 7
- The Messiah priestly work will be somehow greater than Aaron's, but how?,
- Who does this Messiah – priest represent before God?, Heb 7:21-25,
- The Priest and cleanliness – a shocking picture, Ez 44:17f, Lev 16:13, Zech 3:1-3,
- The Priest who is Himself the Sacrifice Zech 3:4, 8f, Heb 13:11, 2 Cor 5:21, Rev 19:8,
- Is He your high priest, even now as we're in church, He's perfecting our worship,



The Messiah as Judge (v5-7)

- He divides the world in 2 (again), a God of anger and justice?,
- This Judge actually submitted to judgement Himself, John 19:28, Eph 1:22f,





3 pictures of Jesus – but is He yours?

- Will He be your King and Priest?
- Will He be your judge, or will He deal with your judgement by taking it on Himself?
- We can know Him as King, Priest, Judge in His word – that's how He reveals Himself to us.