

Royal Liturgy

Sons of Korah · Book II · Royal Psalms

"For the Chief Musician. Set to 'The Lilies.' A contemplation by the sons of Korah. A wedding song."

IN ONE SENTENCE

*wedding song for the king, whose throne is forever and whose bride is honored, and whose name all generations remember.***Remember it:** Forty-five: a royal wedding, a forever throne, and a glorious bride.

MEMORY VERSE

Your throne, God, is forever and ever. A scepter of equity is the scepter of your kingdom.

Psalm 45:6 · World English Bible

HEBREW WORD

כִּסֵּאךָ

"throne" · verse 6

In the Psalms: eighteen times, in 11 psalms

כִּסֵּאךָ means "your throne." The Hebrew word means a seat of honor and royal authority. This throne is "forever and ever," which is why Hebrews 1:8 hears the Father saying these words to the Son. Only an eternal King fits this wedding song.

HOW THE PSALM MOVES

- 1–2** The poet writes a noble song for the king.
- 3–9** The king rides in majesty; his throne is forever.
- 10–15** The bride is called to leave home and come to the king.
- 16–17** The king's sons and name will be honored forever.

IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

v. 6–7 → Hebrews 1:8–9 The Father says to the Son: 'Your throne, O God, is forever.'

MY NOTES

**Listen.** Hear Psalm 45 sung in the **Psalm Song** app, or free at ispress.de/psalms/45.**Cantillated.** Sung: chanted back and forth between a leader and the people.

The King & the Messiah

The LORD Reigns

FILL IN THE BLANKS

A _____ song for the king, whose _____ is forever and whose _____ is honored, and whose name all generations remember.

CHECK YOURSELF

1. What does the poet say his tongue is like?

☐ (A) The pen of a skillful writer

☐ (C) A burning coal

☐ (B) A sharp sword

☐ (D) A silver trumpet

2. What is the scepter of the king's kingdom?

☐ (A) A scepter of iron

☐ (C) A scepter of equity

☐ (B) A scepter of gold

☐ (D) A scepter of cedar

3. What do the king's garments smell like?

☐ (A) Smoke and fire

☐ (C) Roses and lilies

☐ (B) Myrrh, aloes, and cassia

☐ (D) Olive oil

TALK IT OVER

1. What qualities of the king does the poet praise in verses 2 to 7?

2. How does Hebrews 1:8-9 show this psalm points to Jesus?

3. The church is called Christ's bride. What does verse 10 ask of her?

IN YOUR OWN WORDS: WHAT DOES PSALM 45 TEACH?

☐ I listened to the song

☐ I can say verse 6 by heart

☐ I can say what it teaches

☐ I know the picture word

Answers: Blanks: wedding · throne · bride · Check yourself: 1. A (v. 1) · 2. C (v. 6) · 3. B (v. 8)