

## YPG II

### A SYSTEM OF FAITH: THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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#### Text: Psalm 45

Theme: Praise to God as King (Israel)

1. Inspiration of the Psalmist to write Psalm 45:1
2. The king of Israel as a symbol of the Messianic King Psalm 45:2-9
  - a) Blessed by God forever
  - b) Full of glory and majesty
  - c) Power to conquer all enemies
  - d) An eternal throne
  - e) A scepter of righteousness
  - f) Anointed by God (Messiah concept)
  - g) Gloriously dressed for beauty and for holiness
3. The Bride of the King Psalm 45:10-15
  - a) A symbolic picture of the Bride of the Messiah
  - b) A royal bride
  - c) Gloriously clothed
  - d) Great joy
4. The sons of the kingdom Psalm 45:16-17
  - a) They are to be princes
  - b) They will serve the Lord as people of noble blood
5. Desire of the psalmist
  - a) To make known the name of the King forever
  - b) To cause people to praise the Messiah-King

#### DISCUSSION

1. How well do we appreciate Jesus as the Messiah-King?
2. How well are we able to relate to the idea of the Church as the Bride of Christ (Cf. Ephesians 5:22-33; Revelation 22:9)
3. How may we increase our love for the Lord and for the Church?