

## Why did the Gentiles tumults raise?

Thomas Ravenscroft (1590-1633)  
The Whole Booke of Psalmes, 1621, Psalme 2

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**MEDIVS.**  
**TENOR,  
or Playnsong.**  
**BASSVS.**

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| <p>2 The Kings and Rulers of the earth<br/>conspire and all are bent<br/>Against the Lord, and Christ his Sonne,<br/>whom he among vs sent.</p> <p>3 Shall we be bound to them, say they?<br/>let all their bonds be broke:<br/>And of their doctrine and their law<br/>let vs reiect the yoke.</p> <p>4 But he that in the heuens dwels<br/>their doings will decide:<br/>And make them all as laughing stocks<br/>throughout the world so wide.</p> <p>5 For in his wrath the Lord will say<br/>to them vpon a day:<br/>And in his fury trouble them,<br/>and then the Lord will say:</p> | <p>6 I haue anointed him my King.<br/>vpon my holy hill.<br/>I will therefore Lord preach thy lawes<br/>and eke declare thy will.</p> <p>7 For in his wise the Lord himselfe<br/>did say to me I wot:<br/>Thou art my deare and onely Sonne,<br/>today I thee begot.</p> <p>8 All people I will giue to thee,<br/>as heires at thy request:<br/>The ends and coasts of all the earth<br/>by thee shall be possest.</p> <p>9 Thou shalt them bruise euen with a mace<br/>as man vnder foot trod:<br/>And as the potters sheards shall breake<br/>them with an iron rod.</p> | <p>10 Now ye O Kings and Rulers all<br/>be wise therefore and learne:<br/>By whom the matters of the world<br/>be iudged and discerned.</p> <p>11 See that ye serue the Lord aboue,<br/>in trembling and in feare:<br/>See that with reuerence ye reioyce,<br/>to him in like manner.</p> <p>12 See that ye kisse and eke embrace<br/>his blessed Sonne I say:<br/>Least in his wrath ye sodainly<br/>perish in the mid way.</p> <p>13 If once his wrath neuer so small<br/>shall kindle in his breast:<br/>O then all ye that trust in Christ,<br/>shall happy be and blest.</p> |
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### Critical notes:

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