

# Psalms 22:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip,  
they shake the head, saying,

## Analysis

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This prophecy was precisely fulfilled at Christ's crucifixion (Matt. 27:39-40). The mocking gestures—shooting out the lip, shaking the head—express contempt. From a Reformed perspective, this demonstrates that Christ bore not only physical suffering but also psychological and social anguish. He endured the scorn believers deserve for sin, satisfying divine justice and shielding His people from ultimate shame. The mockers unknowingly fulfilled prophecy, demonstrating God's sovereignty over even evil actions.

## Historical Context

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Public execution in the ancient world included spectacle and mockery. Crucifixion was designed for maximum humiliation. The specific gestures mentioned (lip, head) were cultural expressions of contempt, magnifying the Sufferer's agony through social rejection.

## Related Passages

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**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

## Study Questions

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1. How does Christ's endurance of mockery give you strength to face rejection for faith?
2. What does this passage teach about God's sovereignty over even the scornful actions of unbelievers?

## Interlinear Text

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| כָּל          | רְאִי             | וְלַע גִּי           | לִי | וּפִי יִרֶוּ | הַ שִׁפְּהַ |
| H3605         | All they that see | me laugh me to scorn | H0  | H6362        | the lip     |
|               | H7200             | H3932                |     |              | H8193       |
| וְיָנִי יָעוּ | רֹאשׁ:            |                      |     |              |             |
| they shake    | the head          |                      |     |              |             |
| H5128         | H7218             |                      |     |              |             |

## Additional Cross-References

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**Mark 15:29** (Parallel theme): And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days,

**Psalms 109:25** (Parallel theme): I became also a reproach unto them: when they looked upon me they shook their heads.