

Psalm 45:12

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift; even the rich among the people shall intreat thy favour.

Analysis

The 'daughter of Tyre' shall bring gifts, and 'the rich among the people shall intreat thy favour.' Foreign royalty and wealthy citizens seek relationship with the bride because of her connection to the king. Her honor derives from his, anticipating how the church's glory derives from Christ's.

Historical Context

Tyre was a wealthy Phoenician city-state famous for trade. Tyrian royalty bringing tribute indicates the international significance of Israel's king and the honor accorded his bride.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How does the bride's connection to the king transform how others view her?

2. What does it mean that the world will eventually 'seek favor' from Christ's bride?

Interlinear Text

וָבַת	צְרִי	בְּמַנְחָה	בְּפָנֵי	יְמִלְאָה
And the daughter	of Tyre	shall be there with a gift	thy favour	shall intreat
H1323	H6865	H4503	H6440	H2470
נָשֶׁת יְרִי	בָּםְנָה			
even the rich	among the people			
H6223	H5971			

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 22:29 (Parallel theme): All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.

Isaiah 49:23 (Parallel theme): And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.

Isaiah 60:3 (Parallel theme): And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

Psalms 72:10 (Parallel theme): The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

Psalms 68:29 (Parallel theme): Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee.

Matthew 2:11 (Parallel theme): And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

