

Why do the nations so furiously rage together

Air from the oratorio the *Messiah* (bass)

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40. Air: Psalm 2: 1-2

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and why do the people imagine a vain thing?

The kings of the earth rise up,

and the rulers take counsel together

against the Lord, and against His anointed

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Thank you!

