

## Psalms Handout Week Nineteen

Review:

Outline of Ps. 24. V. 1-2 There is a holy and perfect God. V. 2-6 We desperately want to be with Him, but there are very high standards for that. On our own we have no chance. V. Thankfully He made a way.

**1 The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains,  
The world, and those who live in it.**

**2 For He has founded it upon the seas (yam)  
And established it upon the rivers (nahar).**

Nah. 1:5 Mountains quake because of Him and the hills dissolve; indeed the earth is lifted up by His presence, the world and all the inhabitants in it.

Who can stand before His indignation? Who can endure the burning of His anger?

His wrath is poured out like fire and the rocks are broken up by Him.

The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble, and He knows those who take refuge in Him.

Gen. 8:21 The Lord smelled the soothing aroma; and the Lord said to Himself, "I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done. "While the earth remains,

Seedtime and harvest,  
And cold and heat,  
And summer and winter,  
And day and night  
Shall not cease."

Implications:

1.

Ps. 50:10 For every beast of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know every bird of the mountains, and everything that moves in the field is Mine.

2.

Lev. 25:1 The LORD then spoke to Moses at Mount Sinai, saying, "Speak to the sons of Israel and say to them, 'When you come into the land which I shall give you, then the land shall have a sabbath to the LORD. Six years you shall sow your field, and six years you shall prune your vineyard and gather in its crop, but during the seventh year the land shall have a sabbath rest, a sabbath to the LORD; you shall not sow your field nor prune your vineyard.

Prov. 12:10 The righteous care for the needs of their animals....

Ex. 23:12 Six days you are to do your work, but on the seventh day you shall cease from labor so that your ox and your donkey may rest and the son of your female slave, as well as the stranger, may refresh themselves.

Rom. 8:22 For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.

\*Cool side note: We get to eat whatever we want b/c of this verse.

1 Cor. 10:23 All things are lawful, but not all things are profitable. All things are lawful, but not all things edify. Let no one seek his own good, but that of his neighbor. Eat anything that is sold in the meat market without asking questions for conscience' sake; *for the earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains.*

Col. 1:16 For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

Heb. 1:3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and He upholds the universe by the word of His power.

3. I can and must do what He has called me to do in His strength, but I don't control the destiny of any of it, at all.

The earth is the Lord's and all it contains, the world and \_\_\_\_\_ who live in it.

Jn. 3:27 A man can receive nothing unless it has been given to him from heaven.

1 Cor. 6:19 Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

4. He can do and ask what He wants of all our

5. It's all His and He's pretty wealthy, and so we

6. We need to pray for

W. Kuyper: There is not one square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over all, does not cry, Mine!

Liturgical/Antiphonal hymn-

The Ark: The symbol of God's holiness and His presence and work among His people.

1 Sam 6:20 "Who is able to stand before the LORD, this holy God? And to whom shall He go up from us?" So they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kiriath-jearim, saying, "The Philistines have brought back the ark of the LORD; come down and take it up to you.

2 Sam. 6:9 David was afraid of the LORD that day and said, "How can the ark of the LORD ever come to me?" He was not willing to take the ark of the LORD to be with him in the City of David. Instead, he took it to the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite. The ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite for three months, and the LORD blessed him and his entire household.

**3 Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD?  
And who may stand in His holy place?**

What do we give up when we fail to remember it is the God who founded the earth and all it contains that calls us near, that indwells us?

- The joy of
- The joy of our
- The joy of His awesomeness

So, what's the answer? Who gets to *be* with God?

**And who may stand in His holy place?**

**4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart,  
Who has not lifted up his soul to falsehood  
And has not sworn deceitfully.**

Hands  
Heart  
Lift soul  
Mouth/Swear

Mat. 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God... 20 For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Same standard!

1 Jn. 1:7 ...the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Heb. 10:14 For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified...

19 Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus...let us draw near with a *sincere heart* in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled *clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed* with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful

Rom. 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this *grace in which we stand*; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.

Heb. 12:18 For you have not come to a mountain that can be touched and to a blazing fire... 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks better than the blood of Abel.

**5 He shall *receive* a blessing from the LORD  
And righteousness from the God of his salvation.**

**6 This is the generation of those who seek Him,**

**Who seek Your face—** (God of or like J. see Gen. 32:22 desperate people holding on by their fingernails, or the people of Jacob by faith) **Jacob. Selah.**

Seeking His face. What does that entail?

2 Chron. 7:14 My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land. Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to the prayer offered in this place.

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Ps. 105:3 Glory in His holy name; let the heart of those who seek the LORD be glad.

Seek the LORD and His strength; Seek His face continually. Remember His wonders which He has done, His marvels and the judgments uttered by His mouth,

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Hos. 3:4 Afterward the sons of Israel will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king; and they will come trembling to the LORD and to His goodness in the last days.

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**7 Lift up your heads, O gates,  
And be lifted up, O ancient/everlasting doors,  
That the King of glory may come in!  
8 Who is the King of glory (kavod)?**

Personification/anthropomorphism

**The LORD strong and mighty (powerful/valiant),  
The LORD mighty in battle.**

**9 Lift up your heads, O gates,  
And lift them up, O ancient/everlasting doors,  
That the King of glory may come in!  
10 Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD of hosts, (tsevaot, armies-angels/people)  
He is the King of glory. Selah.**

Lot's of levels to this psalm.

It can be applied to David's time or Solomon's.

It could be post-exilic or even up to the time of Jesus...

Particular psalms were sung in the morning on particular days of the week.

Monday-ps.48. Tuesday-ps. 82, Wednesday-ps. 94, Thursday-ps. 81, Friday-ps. 93, Saturday-ps. 92

Sunday-ps.

We finally find out who is able to ascend the hill and stand in God's presence.

Mat. 21:1 When they had approached Jerusalem and had come to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied there and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to Me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and immediately he will send them." This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

"Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold your *King* is coming to you, gentle, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'" (Zech 9)

The disciples went and did just as Jesus had instructed them, and brought the donkey and the colt, and laid their coats on them; and He sat on the coats. Most of the crowd spread their coats in the road, and others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them in the road. The crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed, were shouting,  
“Hosanna to the *Son of David*; Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD;  
Hosanna in the highest!”

Mat. 21:10 When He had entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, “Who is this?”

Lk. 19:37 As soon as He was approaching, near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the miracles which they had seen, shouting:  
“Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the LORD;  
Peace in heaven and *glory in the highest!*”

1 Pt. 2:22 He committed *no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth.*

Jn. 14:2 In My Father’s house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for *I go to prepare a place for you.*

Mat. 26:62 And the high priest said to Him, “I adjure You by the living God, that You tell us whether You are the Christ, the Son of God.” Jesus said to him, “You have said it yourself; nevertheless I tell you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of power, and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

Layer upon layer!! We’re not done yet.

Acts 1:10 And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.

Mark. 8:38 For whoever is ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when He comes in the *glory of His Father with the holy angels.*

Rev. 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head are many diadems; and He has a name written on Him which no one knows except Himself. He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses... And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, “KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.”

1 Thes. 5:23 Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jude 1:24 Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy,

1 Pt. 1:13 Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the *grace that will be brought to you* at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

1 Cor. 11:26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Lk. 21:28 Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and *raise your heads*, because your redemption is drawing near.

Rev. 22:12 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may *enter by the gates into the city*.

Rev. 22:20 He who testifies to these things says, “Yes, I am coming quickly.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

### Discussion

Ps. 24 ends with us greeting the King of glory. As if that isn't enough to make you fall on your face, take a look at the following verses. What are we to do with this information? Does this have any practical application or is merely to cause us to marvel?

Jn. 17: 22 *The glory which You have given Me I have given to them*, that they may be one, just as We are one; I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me.

2 Cor. 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being *transformed into the same image from glory to glory*, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

Col. 3:4 When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed *with Him in glory*.