

“From Everlasting to Everlasting - You are God”
Psalm 90

Gathered PEOPLE of God in Nevada City 1st Sunday of 2022

My Privilege bring WORD of ENCOURAGEMENT to ALL

Young, Old // Married – Wish WERE or Wish were NOT

Full of HEALTH > Full of FEARS / Well Rested > Restless

Some COMFORTABLE others Are COMFORTLESS

Lots BOOKS offer GOOD ADVICE > BEST Book from GOD

God GAVE Us LIFE – SUSTAINS thru all SEASONS of Life

Psalm 90 – Testimony of Man who walked w God 120 YEARS

@ Newborn BABY Carried by God/Safety of Basket on Nile River

1st 40 yrs – Had it ALL, Son of Pharaoh – PRINCE of EGYPT Possessions, Potential /

Celebrity, LOTS FOLLOWERS/ LIKES

From 40-80 Exiled, like Prisoner in Desert, Shepherd, Stranger

80-120 Lonely Leader MEGAchurch – DESPISED Head of State

Struggled w/ DOUBTS - TESTED and TRIED

his FINAL DAY CLIMBED Mt. NEBO saw PROMISED LAND

“his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone” Deuteronomy 34.7

BANNER over 120 yr. Life of Moses: God is GOOD, All the Time

Many my FELLOW GRAY HEADS can ADD your Own AMEN!

3 Main points from Psalm 90...

1. God is Glorious

Angels to Shepherds in Bethlehem, “Glory to God in Highest”

Not Only did Glory of God fill Skies over Bethlehem

Glory of God > GREAT Theme across the Whole BIBLE

MOSES was Keenly Aware God's GLORY

He had Front Row Seat for 10 PLAGUES / Walked thru Red Sea

BEHELD Blazing GLORY of YAHWEH 40 days on Mt. Sinai

a. Glory of God is seen Everywhere

v. 1 Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

Apostle Paul told the Philosophers in Athens..

“He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for ‘In him we live and move and have our being’” Acts 17.26-28

God of SCRIPTURE is SOVEREIGN – All things FROM Him

FIRST to FINAL Breath / Every Meal Enjoyed / Famine Endured

Sunshine and Storms / Calamities and Cures / Life and Death

“The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.” Psalm 24.1,2

God Fills the Universe > AND He Stands Outside Universe

God MADE World, but Not Bound to World

TRANSCENDENT > Stands Outside World

And IMMINENT > Friend Closer than Brother > Emmanuel

God's Universe > 200 Billion Galaxies, each Billion stars!

Galaxies 12 Billion Light yrs Away/ Light yr = 6 Trillion Miles

MORE Stars in Universe than GRAINS of SAND Earth's Shores

b. Glory of God is Everlasting

v. 2 Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Mtns. NAMED Famous PERSON / Today they're FORGOTTEN

God will be FOREVER Glorified long after MTNS Forgotten

v. 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.

GLORY of God --- He will Never TIRE, RETIRE, or Grow OLD
 TIMELESS, FOREVER, ETERNAL, OMNISCIENT, Unchanging
 Never IMPROVE – No NEW Thought – Never FORGET Thought

MOSES had PASSION for GLORY of God
 STOOD before BURNING Bush / Walked thru RED SEA

Moses Still YEARNED for MORE of GOD'S GLORY...

Moses said, "Please show me your glory." And God said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name 'The Lord.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live."
 Exodus 33.17-21

2. God of Glory declares us Guilty

God to Moses "You CANNOT See my FACE & LIVE!"

Millisecond of God's Full GLORY would CONSUME Us

We're SINNERS by Character / AND We SIN by CHOICE

"For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"
 Romans 3.23

Moses WATCHED Throng of Israelites Enter Promised LAND
 Forced to Reflect on his Own SINS that KEPT him OUT
 WAGES of SIN is DEATH even for PROPHET of GOD

vs. 5-7 You sweep men away in the sleep of death; they are like the new grass of the morning though in the morning it springs up new, by evening it is dry and withered. We are consumed by your anger and terrified by your indignation.

Quality of God MOST Emphasized in Bible – Holy, Holy, Holy
Dwells in Unapproachable Light – Pure, Sinless, True, Righteous

In Garden -- First PARENTS that THEY KNEW BETTER
They were WELCOMED and WARNED in EDEN

WELCOME to ENJOY All TREES and Treasures of God's World
ONE WARNING – Do NOT Eat from One TREE >> SYMBOL

Tree of KNOWLEDGE of GOOD and EVIL

>> God Defines TRUTH, JUSTICE, RIGHT, and WRONG
LORDSHIP / Rule – He determines GOOD & EVIL

Eat Forbidden Fruit – SLAP in His Face – CARELESS Defiance

Serpent's PROMISE came TRUE > EYES WERE OPENED
But Not Like God, God loves Good, Hates Evil – I am OPPOSITE

GOD'S WORD is The Only ALWAYS TRUE TRUTH

BIBLE Ends w/ Similar Warning – Don't ADD to Or Take Away from God's Word

WORLD invites Every Thought/Opinion except Jesus & BIBLE

2000 yrs after 1st Christmas - JESUS most Admired / Ignored Man

v. 8-10 You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence. All our days pass away under your wrath; we finish our years with a moan. The length of our days is seventy years- or eighty, if we have the strength; yet their span is but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.

WE Fly AWAY but God is not going anywhere > ETERNAL God

We are DASH between Numbers – Year of Birth / Year of Death

“Jacob (Patriarch) blessed Pharaoh, Pharaoh asked him, “How old are you?” And Jacob said to Pharaoh, “The years of my pilgrimage are a hundred and thirty. My years have been few and difficult...”
Genesis 47.7-9

v. 11 Who knows the power of your anger? For your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.

EXCELLENT Question --- Not sure about Answer in California?

Answer in CHINA? – NOT Many People? --- Too BUSY

MARVEL Movies, Shopping APPS, & Another Apple Product

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.”
Proverbs 1.7

I have asked many people “Are You Prepared for Your DEATH?”

MANY Times heard “I have NEVER Thought about it!” ???

God’s JUDGEMENT is to be FEARED / Esp if NOT Ready!

Even WORSE - If you have NEVER THOUGHT about IT!

3. God of Glory gives Grace to the Guilty

Psalm 90 > 1500 yrs Before 1st Christmas > Moses preaches:

Salvation by Grace thru Faith in the True and Living God

Ps 90 > GOSPEL OUTLINE: 1. God’s Glory, 2. Our Guilt...3. God’s GRACE

ONLY Way to be Saved > from GENESIS to REVELATION

“Moses was faithful as a servant in all God’s house,” bearing witness to what would be spoken by God in the future. But Christ is faithful as the Son over God’s house. Hebrews 3.5,6

Jesus: “For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me.” John 5.46

Apostle John: “For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.”
John 1.17

CLOSE with FOUR Takeaways to RECEIVE God’s GRACE...

a. Reflect on Life

If HEED Warning v. 11 “Who knows the power of your anger?”

SO... What to DO about God’s Glory & Our Guilt?

v.12 Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

NUMBER > NOT Do Math Problems or SOLVE SUDOKO

RECKON >>> REFLECT Thoughtfully on Your Life

Last 4 months > Driven 13,000 miles across USA

Visited Dozens of Colleagues, Classmates, Churches, Supporters

Known many for 40 years > Seen LONG VIEW of Xtian LIVES

Faithfulness of GOD > TRUTH of His Promises...

Peter “to Us, our Children, All Far Off, Everyone the Lord Calls”

If BUILD House on Rock it STANDS during STORMS... They’re coming!

SEEK First God and His Kingdom - Have ALL Need... Lots of Wants 2!

God RESISTS the PROUD but gives GRACE to the HUMBLE

Moses REFLECTS on what he EXPERIENCED...

When U Fall, GOD Can Get U Up Again // IF Call on His Name

“By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible.” Hebrews 11.24-28

b. Return to God

v. 13 Relent, O Lord! How long will it be? Have compassion on your servants.

HOW can JUST God show PITY – we'd RECALL that JUDGE

JUDGE who TURNS Blind Eye to EVIL – FREES the GUILTY

But our JUST God SATISFIES His Own JUSTICE

When God gave MOSES Blueprints on Mt. SINAI for...

TABERNACLE --- PRIESTHOOD --- SACRIFICES

MOSES would NEVER in Wildest Dreams IMAGINE

GOD Himself would TABERNACLE Among Us in Human Flesh

SON of God would become Eternal, Faithful, Merciful High Priest

JESUS Himself be LAMB of God w'd take Away Sins of World

Christmas is for SINNERS ONLY --- REASON He CAME

“Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” 1 Timothy 1.15

Great News of Christmas > Jesus will Save His People from Sins

SIN – RETURNS Us to DUST

SALVATION in JESUS – RISEN and INDESTRUCTIBLE

SAVED by GRACE thru FAITH – Lived, Died, Rose for US

DEATH Propitiated the WRATH of God Against US

PERFECT LIFE our RIGHTEOUSNESS – FULFILLED the Law

Those in Christ are CLOTHED in His RIGHTEOUSNESS

LONG Journey back to God BEGINS w Turning Around, 1st Step
 God's Nearness is Happiest DELIGHT or Heart-Stopping DREAD
 When He Comes Where will you RUN? EMBRACE or ESCAPE?

c. Rejoice through Tears

Big People Cloud of Witnesses --- 4 & 6 yr olds Tore into Xmas
 Christmas w 2 Sons and 2 Grandsons...Dau-in-Law & Parents

Presents THOT Helpful & Needed – Socks, Shirts, Jackets
 Boys thru Over Shoulders and Grabbed Another SHINNY BOX

LEGO! RC Car! NINJA --- Wow it's What I Always Wanted!
 Couple Days LATER Treasures IGNORED in Pile of STUFF!

World cannot GIVE Real JOY whether U R - 4 or 6, 46, or 106
 But even us OLD GEEZERS Think Need 1 More Shiny Bauble!
 Perhaps it took MOSES 120 yrs to Learn about FOREVER JOY...

vs. 14-15 Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days. Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble.

God who JUDGES our SIN can SAVE us from JUDGMENT

God who PUNISHES Guilty can PARDON the GRATEFUL

Apostle John sees REDEEMED Around the SEA of GLASS...

“...sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, ‘Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name?’”
 Revelation 15.3,4

d. Recommit to God's Work

COMING to the SAVIOR is a CALL to SERVICE

DISPLAY & DECLARE the KINGDOM of Jesus transferred Into

SHOW & SPEAK Faith: Family, Neighborhood, Workplace

People Need to SEE and HEAR Good News of JESUS

ACROSS the STREET --- AROUND the WORLD

vs. 16-17 May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children. May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us; establish the work of our hands for us - yes, establish the work of our hands.

At 40 --- Moses saw Opportunity for Leadership

Run like SAND thru his FINGERS

Campaign begins w/ KILLING Egyptian to Defend Kinsman

Voters responded "Do YOU think you will RULE over US?"

40 yrs of Brokenness --- Shepherd in Wilderness

Not even Good Enough Hebrew Dad to Circumcise Sons

80 THEOPHANY --- Vision of God --- Burning BUSH

Even with such GLORIOUS Manifestation >> DOUBTS

I can't SPEAK – They won't LISTEN – Aaron's gotta Help

Next 40 yrs WORK of God is Done by God for Glory of God

Plagues, Passover, Pharaoh drowns in RED SEA

FAST FOOD for a Million People FALLS Down from SKY

40 yrs WEAR & TEAR and their CLOTHES Don't Wear Out

God fights BATTLES when MOSES Arms stay up in AIR

“From Everlasting to Everlasting - You are God”

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2.8-10

Let's PRAY with MOSES...

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