

Evening Sermon Outline – March 14, 2021

“World-Wide Worship” Psalm 96

When our Lord Jesus was about to ascend to Heaven among His last words to His disciples were -

⁸ But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” Acts 1:8 (NKJV)

I. *The new song is a song to be sung everywhere -*

¹ Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Sing to the LORD, all the earth. ² Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. ³ Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples. Psalm 96:1-3

1. *The song is new because we are new, new creatures, born again -*

¹ Oh, sing to the LORD a new song!... Psalm 96:1 A

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)

“Put off oldness: ye know the new song. A new man, A New Testament, a new song. A new song belongs not to men that are old; none learn that but new men, renewed through grace from oldness, and belonging to the New Testament, which is the Kingdom of Heaven.” Augustine

verse 1.—“New.” The word is used to describe that which is delightful, exquisite, precious, etc.—Martin Geier. *Think new car smell!*

2. *The new song is a Gospel song, even a Gospel to be spread song -*

Sing to the LORD, all the earth. ² Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.

¹⁰ Sing to the LORD a new song, *And His praise from the ends of the earth, You who go down to the sea, and all that is in it, You coastlands and you inhabitants of them!* Isaiah 42:10

It is a grand MISSIONARY HYMN – C. H. SPURGEON

A. *Gospel of Jesus, to the Gentiles, song, He is a Light to the Gentiles -*

⁶ “I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness, And will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, As a light to the Gentiles, Isaiah 42:6 (NKJV)

B. *Salvation is proclaimed and accomplished, to the ends of the earth -*

⁶ Indeed He says, ‘It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, And to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.’” Isaiah 49:6 (NKJV)

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying: “You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, Revelation 5:9 (NKJV)

3. *This message is not only for everywhere but for all times - Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Psalm 96:2*

Not just new, sometime, long time ago but - Because His compassions fail not. ²³ They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22 B-23

II. *This song is to be sung everywhere because of the greatness of the LORD -*

1. *He is surely, wonderfully great in comparison to false gods which are everywhere -*

⁴ For the LORD *is* great and greatly to be praised; He *is* to be feared above all gods. ⁵ For all the gods of the peoples *are* idols, But the LORD made the heavens. Psalm 96:4-5

A. *Great, praised and greatly to be praised and feared because REAL!*

B. *Above all “gods” because all are idols: made of wood, stone, silver, gold or figments of men’s imaginations, but opposite these THINGS which are created -God is the Creator - But the LORD made the heavens. Psalm 96:5 B*

2. *More reasons to praise Him –*

⁶ Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Psalm 96:6

Verse 6.—“Beauty ... in his sanctuary.” Oh, if so much of beauty doth reveal Itself in every vein of life and nature, How beautiful must be the Source itself, The Ever-Bright One!

3. *Instructions for praising Him –*

A. Give to the LORD, means ascribe to Him, give Him credit for these things –

Give to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Give to the LORD glory and strength. ⁸ Give to the LORD the glory due His name; Psalm 96:7-8 A

God is already strong and glorious, we do not give these to Him as if He needed them but we ascribe all glory we see, as in the creation, to God! In Psalm 29 you will remember the power of the storm / over the weather was ascribed to the LORD!

B. Bringing an offering can be a sacrifice, money, or a gift, as customarily would be presented to a king -
Bring an offering, and come into His courts. Psalm 96:8 B

10 Now when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, ... ² She came to Jerusalem with a very great retinue, with camels that bore spices, very much gold, and precious stones; ... 1 Kings 10:1–2 (NKJV)

4. *Worship in the Beauty of Holiness -*

⁹ Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth. Psalm 96:9

A. Holiness, true devotion, we serve and worship only God!

B. Holiness – and the fear of the LORD –

5. *Count God as Your King, Creator and final Judge, because He is -*

¹⁰ Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns; The world also is firmly established, It shall not be moved; He shall judge the peoples righteously.” Psalm 96:10

III. *Let all of creation rejoice –*

¹¹ Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; Let the sea roar, and all its fullness; ¹² Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the woods will rejoice before the LORD. ¹³ For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth. He shall judge the world with righteousness, And the peoples with His truth.

1. *This is the spreading of God’s glory, praise, Gospel, is a benefit to and rejoiced in heaven and earth –*

⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:9–11 (NKJV)

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice: “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!” ¹³ And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: “Blessing and honor and glory and power Be to Him who sits on the throne, And to the Lamb, forever and ever!” ¹⁴ Then the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever. Revelation 5:11–14 (NKJV)

Verse 12.—“Rejoice.” The verb רָנַן expresses the vibratory motion, either of a dancer’s feet, or of a singer’s lip.—Samuel Horsley.

2. *This is rejoicing even in His judgment -*

Verse 13.—“He cometh.” Not בִּיא, “He shall come;” but בָּא לְשֹׁפֵט, “He cometh;” to show how near the time is. It is almost day-break, and the court is ready to sit: “The Judge standeth at the door,” James 5:9.—Thomas Watson.

Who are those who rejoice in judgment? Those who have been wronged! Not those who have done wrong or have wronged others!

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