

## **PRAISE THE KING OF KINGS**

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Psalm 47

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### **INTRODUCTION: ALL CHRISTIANS BELIEVE THAT GOD IS SOVEREIGN, RIGHT?**

Every Christian believes in the sovereignty of God...until you begin to let the Bible define the sovereignty of God.

#### **The Sovereignty of God**

God rules as King over all of creation.

#### **Psalm 103:19**

The Lord has established His throne in the heavens,  
And His sovereignty rules over all.

We all believe that until we begin to see just how broad and how deep and how thoroughly God reigns over all the earth.

## **Ephesians 1:11**

also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will,

## **The Sovereignty of God**

God intentionally and sovereignly wills, directs, controls, preserves and provides for all aspects of His creation.

Psalm 47 expresses 3 aspects of God's sovereignty 2x for emphasis.

vv. 2-6, vv. 7-10

## **I. YAHWEH RULES AS KING VV. 3, 8**

### **A. AWESOME, V. 3**

Over the evil

#### **Isaiah 64:2**

As fire kindles brushwood, *as* fire causes water to boil—  
To make Your name known to Your adversaries,  
*That* the nations may tremble at Your presence!

And good

#### **Psalm 130:4**

If You, Lord, were to keep *account of* guilty deeds,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But there is forgiveness with You,  
So that You may be revered.

### **B. GREAT V. 3**

### **C. OVER ALL THE EARTH V. 3**

God is the supreme judge.

Matthew 5:5; Luke 19:29, 30; Proverbs 11:31

### **D. OF THE EARTH V. 8**

**Psalm 37:29**

The righteous shall inherit the land and dwell upon it forever.

**B. FOR HIS PEOPLE, VV. 5, 10**

? Who inherits?

1. Jacob

2. The Gathered

? Who are the gathered?

Galatians 3:16, 26-29

**C. BECAUSE HE LOVES US, V. 5**

**Zephaniah 3:17**

The Lord your God is in your midst,

A victorious warrior.

He will rejoice over you with joy,

He will be quiet in His love,

He will rejoice over you with shouts of joy.

**D. BECAUSE EVERYONE BELONGS TO GOD, V. 6**

**CONCLUSION: PREEMINENCE AND PROVISION  
PROMPTS PRAISE**

The natural reaction to God's sovereignty should be praise

v. 2 clap hands,

shout in triumph

v. 7 make music

### **Daniel 4:35**

All the inhabitants of the earth are of no account,  
But He does according to His will among the army of heaven And *among* the  
inhabitants of earth;  
And no one can fend off His hand  
Or say to Him, 'What have You done?'

**Command:** Prudently make music.

Psalm 2

## **II. GOD RULES OVER THE WICKED, VV. 4, 9**

### **A. HE WILL DESTROY**

#### **1. Causal**

How thoroughly does God rule over and control the wicked?

#### **Proverbs 16:4**

The Lord has made everything for its own purpose,  
Even the wicked for the day of evil.

#### **2. Under Us**

### **B. HE REIGNS OVER NATIONS**

## **III. GOD LOVINGLY PROVIDES FOR HIS PEOPLE, VV. 5, 6, 10**

? What is the provision here?

### **A. A ROYAL INHERITANCE, V. 5**

Ephesians 1:11-14

#### **Romans 8:17**

And if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.