

**I. Introduction: This Psalm is a hymn of praise for God's creative work and serves as a poetic explanation of the creation story and mankind's creation.**

**II. Worship God For His Greatness (Psa 8:1-9).**

A. He Created Us (vv. 1-2, 9).

1. David probably wrote this song as he tended sheep and looked up at the night sky, praising God for His glorious creation.

B. He Cares for Us (vv. 3-4).

1. God cares about mankind because He made humanity His ruling representative on Earth and the celestial bodies to rule over the universe.

C. He Crowned Us (v. 5).

1. God made humanity with dignity and glory that the other created beings do not possess, granting mankind the position of vice-regent over the Earth.

D. He Chose Us (vv. 6-9).

1. God appointed humanity as a ruler over the Earth to reflect His rule over the cosmos. As man rules over the planet, he is to contemplate God's sovereignty.

**III. Conclusion: God will be praised for His magnificent creation over the Earth, and even the worship of children stands as a reminder to His enemies of His greatness.**

## Study Questions: Worship God For His Greatness

1. What do you consider to be great? What do you praise with your mouth? Compared to God, what is man? Do you need to adjust your definition of greatness? Who is worthy of praise?
2. What does David say is the first reason to praise God? (**Psa 8:1, 9**) What does the name “Yahweh, Adonai” mean? (**v. 1**) How does creation reveal God’s majesty? (**Rom 1:19-20**)
3. Why did David say that children’s mouths would ordain strength? (**v. 2**) How did Jesus use this verse to silence His enemies? (**Matt 21:14-17**) How did He use it to prove He is God?
4. What was the second reason David said to praise God? (**Psa 8:3-4**) How did David describe the works of God? (**v. 3**) How did God create the heavens and Earth? (**Gen 1:14-19; Ps 33:6**)
5. What did David contemplate as he thought of the heavens? (**Psa 8:4**) Do you know God is paying attention to you? Do you sense He is sovereignly intervening? (**Jer 29:11**)
6. How has God crowned human beings? (**Psa 8:5**) What does it mean that we are “a little lower than God”? (**v. 5**) What does it mean that humans have “glory” and “dignity”? (**v. 5**)
7. How has God given man dominion over the Earth? (**Psa 8:6-9; Gen 1:28**) Why do people live like slaves? (**Rom 6:12-23**) Who is the ruler of this world? (**2 Cor 4:4**)
8. How will Jesus come as the rightful King to restore order and rule? (**Rom 5:12-21**) Will you worship Jesus as your King? Will you submit to Him and follow Him?

### Prayer

1. Ask God to reveal to you how He is the majestic and glorious King over creation.
2. Praise God through your prayers and sing to Him this glorious hymn of adoration.