## THE IS NO ONE LIKE OUR GOD

Psalm 113
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## 3 Powerful Reasons Why We Should Praise God

# 1. BECAUSE HIS NAME IS THE GREATEST (vss. 1-3)

"Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD! <sup>2</sup> Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore! <sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!" Psalm 113:1-3 (ESV)

"I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations." Isaiah 42:6 (ESV)

For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "'I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'" Acts 13:47 (ESV)

<sup>11</sup> "For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to my name, and a pure offering. For my name will be great among the nations, says the LORD of hosts." Malachi 1:11 (ESV)

## 2. BECAUSE HIS THRONE IS THE <u>HIGHEST</u> (vss. 4-6)

"The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens! <sup>5</sup> Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high, <sup>6</sup> who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?" **Psalm 113:4-6 (ESV)** 

"And in the thirty-seventh year of the exile of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, Evil-merodach king of Babylon, in the year that he began to reign, graciously freed Jehoiachin king of Judah from prison. <sup>28</sup> And he spoke kindly to him and gave him a seat above the seats of the kings who were with him in Babylon. <sup>29</sup> So Jehoiachin put off his prison garments. And every day of his life he dined regularly at the king's table, <sup>30</sup> and for his allowance, a regular allowance was given him by the king, according to his daily needs, as long as he lived." **2 Kings 25:27-30 (ESV)** 

"Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!" **Psalm 57:5** (**ESV**)

"Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. <sup>12</sup> His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. <sup>13</sup> He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. <sup>14</sup> And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.

<sup>15</sup> From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. <sup>16</sup> On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords." **Revelation 19:11-16 (ESV)** 

"Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father "Philippians 2:9-11 (ESV)

For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite. **Isaiah 57:15 (ESV)** 

## 3. BECAUSE HIS LOVE IS THE KINDEST (vss. 7-9)

"He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap, <sup>8</sup> to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

<sup>9</sup> He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD!" **Psalm 113:7-9 (ESV)** 

<sup>7</sup> "The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low and he exalts. <sup>8</sup> He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world." 1 Samuel 2:7-8 (ESV)

Mary (Luke 1:46-55) Sarah (Genesis 17:15-19) Rebekah (Genesis 25:19-23) Rachel (Genesis 29:31; 30:22-24) Hannah (1 Samuel 1:1-2:11) Elizabeth (Luke 1:13-15)

"And he (Job) took a piece of broken pottery with which to scrape himself while he sat in the ashes." **Job 2:8 (ESV)** 

"For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup> But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup> God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no human being might boast in the presence of God." 1 Corinthians 1:26-29 (ESV)

"And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—

<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Ephesian 2:1-10 (ESV)

"...and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup> Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us..." **Ephesians 3:19-20 (ESV)** 

## **Discussion Questions:**

- How is your praise to God? Would you consider it to be worthy of His name?
- Do you believe God is still on His throne and that it is above every other throne? If so, how is your anxiety? Are you placing your trust in the One who is the King of kings and Lord of lords?
- Do you believe God loves you unconditionally? If not, why do you think that? What can you let go of today and let God love you and begin to love others through you?

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