

Oh LORD, our Lord; Psalm 8:4-9

I. Majestic

- A. Psalm 8:1 (ESV) ¹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.
- B. Merriam-Webster defines majesty as greatness or splendor of quality or character.
- C. The Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament defines it as mighty, and magnificent.
- D. We serve the God, who is mighty, splendorous, magnificent, and whose character is pure, just, and loving.
 - 1. His desire is for us.
 - 2. He wants our desire to be for him.
- E. When we see God as Creator, Savior, and Lord, we can clearly see His majesty.

II. God our Creator

- A. Psalm 8:3–4 (ESV) ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?
- B. Isaiah tells us of the Creator God.
- C. Isaiah 40:28 (ESV) ²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.
 - 1. He created everything for us.
 - 2. Genesis 1:28–29 (ESV) ²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” ²⁹ And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food.
 - 3. God did not create the world and leave it to its own devices; He created us to care for the world.
 - 4. David is speaking about humanity as he pens Psalm 8.
 - 5. Psalm 8:6–8 (ESV) ⁶ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, ⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸ the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
 - 6. God did not create us and leave us to our own devices; He has been with us since the beginning.
 - i. With Cain and Abel
 - ii. With Eve (the birth of Seth)
 - iii. You can continue throughout the entire Bible and see that God has been with His people.
 - iv. God gives us all that we need to complete His purpose.
 - v. In Psalm 81, the psalmist admonishes Israel for worshipping false gods.

- vi. Psalm 81:9–10 (ESV) ⁹ There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god. ¹⁰ I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.
- vii. As Paul is writing to the Philippians, he mentions their gift to him, calling it a fragrant offering, a sacrifice.
- viii. Philippians 4:19 (ESV) ¹⁹ And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.
- 7. In Isaiah 43:15 he says, “I am the Lord, your Holy One, the Creator of Israel, your King.”
- D. Psalm 19:1 (ESV) ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.
- E. Romans 1:19–20 (ESV) ¹⁹ For what can be known about God is plain to them because God has shown it to them. ²⁰ For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.
- F. God’s majesty is seen through His creation.

III. God our Savior

- A. Isaiah 43:2–3a (ESV) ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³ For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
- B. God created us knowing we would need a savior, which He would be.
- C. God provided salvation for Israel from Egypt
 - 1. The plagues.
 - 2. The wealth at their departure.
 - 3. The Egyptian army at the Red Sea (God was a barrier between them day and night as a pillar of cloud and of fire).
 - 4. Exodus 15:1–2 (ESV) ¹ Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying, “I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. ² The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father’s God, and I will exalt him.
 - 5. Christ was the Rock in the wilderness for them.
- D. David calls God, “my fortress and my deliverer... my rock... my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge, my savior”. 2 Samuel 22:2-3
- E. He is our Savior!
 - 1. From the beginning, God has given us Himself, in His Son, Jesus.
 - 2. Philippians 2:5–8 (ESV) ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found

in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

3. John 1:1
 4. Look back through the history of religion and you will find that only one savior sacrificed Himself for all humanity.
 5. Jesus came to do the Father's will, doing away with the first covenant and establishing the second. (Hebrews 10:9)
 6. Hebrews 10:10 (ESV) ¹⁰ And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once and for all.
 7. After His sacrifice, death, burial, and resurrection He appeared to His apostles, but Thomas wasn't there.
 8. John 20:28 (ESV) ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"
- F. God's majesty is seen through His salvation.
- IV. Jesus is Lord
- A. Hebrews 2:6–8 (ESV) ⁶ It has been testified somewhere, "What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? ⁷ You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, ⁸ putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him.
 - B. David, in Psalm 8, speaks about humanity, and mankind.
 - C. The writer of Hebrews, quoting Psalm 8, speaks about our Savior.
 1. Jesus, who is God, became a little lower than the angels (human).
 2. Jesus became the sacrifice for sin for humanity (all sin, all time, all people).
 3. Everything is in subjection to Jesus, our Savior.
 - D. Oh LORD, our Lord how majestic is your name in all the earth!