PSALM 149 2024 – Praise to God for His Salvation and Judgment!

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SHOUT TO THE LORD Hillsong (1:57)

My Jesus, my Saviour Lord there is none like You All of my days I want to praise The wonders of Your mighty love My comfort, my shelter Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath, all that I am Never cease to worship You. Shout to the Lord all the Earth, let us sing Power and majesty, praise to the King Mountains bow down and the seas will roar At the sound of Your name I sing for joy at the work of Your hands Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand Nothing compares to the promise I have In You

PSALM 149 - <u>Praise to God for His Salvation and Judgment -</u> Sing to the Lord a New Song Psa 149:1 Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, And His praise in the assembly of saints.

• Sing unto the Lord a new song, *and His praise in the assembly of saints*. He is always doing something new for us!

Psa 149:2 Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

• In public praise and dance, may there be the rejoicing and the joy that they are to have in the Lord, in their King!

Psa 149:3 Let them praise His name with the dance; Let them sing praises to Him with the timbrel and harp.

- The word rejoice, practiced in Israel is to spin around and joyful is to jump up and down. You have almost got the dance there. Praise His name in the dance. Dancing was a form of praise unto God. They danced before the Lord. Even today the Israeli's are great in the dancing. It is a very moving experience to watch them praise the Lord.
- Let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp. The timbrel is probably kind of a tambourine. Miriam, the sister of Moses, led the ladies of Israel in a dance, (*Exo 15:20*) Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took the timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. David danced before the Lord with the timbrel and the harp. So, the exhortation to praise the Lord.

Psa 149:4 For the LORD takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation.

- *"For the Lord takes pleasure in His people;"* and therefore they should take pleasure in Him. If our joy be pleasing to him let us make it full. What condescension is this on Jehovah's part, to notice, to love, and to delight in his chosen! Surely there is nothing in our persons, or our actions, which could cause pleasure to the Ever-blessed One, were it not that he condescends to men of low estate. The thought of the Lord's taking pleasure in us is a mine of joy never to be exhausted. "
- *He will beautify the meek with salvation.*" They are humble, and feel their need of salvation; He is gracious, and bestows it upon them. They lament their deformity and He puts a beauty upon them of the choicest sort. He saves them by sanctifying them, and thus they wear the beauty of holiness, and the beauty of a joy which springs out of full salvation.
- **He makes his people meek, and then makes the meek beautiful**. Herein is grand argument for worshipping the Lord with the utmost exultation: he who takes such a pleasure in us must be approached with every token of exceeding joy.
- God taketh pleasure in all his children as Jacob loved all his sons; but the meek are his Josephs, and upon these he puts the coat of many colors, beautifying them with peace, content, joy, holiness, and influence. A meek and quiet spirit is called "*an* ornament," and certainly it is "*the* beauty of holiness." When God himself beautifies a man, he becomes beautiful indeed and beautiful forever. (Spurgeon)

Psa 149:5 Let the saints be joyful in glory; Let them sing aloud on their beds.

• David in some of his psalms talks about his bed swimming in his tears. He talks about sorrow enduring for a night and some of the sorrowful experiences in the night hours, on the bed. Yet, here, the Psalmist, whoever he is, is saying let them sing aloud on their beds!

Psa 149:6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand, Psa 149:7 To execute vengeance on the nations, And punishments on the peoples; Psa 149:8 To bind their kings with chains, And their nobles with fetters of iron; • This section is apparently looking to the end times when Christ returns with His church, and to the millennium when all nations and peoples will acknowledge Christ as King and to Jerusalem as His royal capital.

Psa 149:9 To execute on them the written judgment—This honor have all His saints. Praise the LORD!

- Many times, God uses nations and armies as His instrument of judgment against other nations and other people. God used Babylon as His instrument of judgment against Judah, the nation of Judah. So, they execute on them the written judgment.
- To execute upon them the judgment written. Israel as a nation had this to do, and did it, and then they rejoiced in the God who gave success to their arms. We praise our God after another fashion; we are not executioners of justice, but heralds of mercy. It would be a sad thing for anyone to misuse this text: lest any warlike believer should be led to do so, we would remind him that the execution must not go beyond the sentence and warrant; and we have received no warrant of execute the command of mercy, and that alone. This honor have all his saints. The Lord honors all His chosen here, and He will glorify them all hereafter: this rule is without exception. Surely in this we have the best argument for glorifying the Lord, wherefore we close our new song with another Hallelujah, "Praise ye the Lord." (Spurgeon)
- Summary: Christ on a White Horse: (*Rev 19:11-21*) Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. [12] His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. [13] He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. [14] And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. [15] Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. [16] And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.
- The Beast and His Armies Defeated: [17] Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, [18] that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great." [19] And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. [20] Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. [21] And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.
- Praise the LORD!

OPRAISE THE NAME (ANÁSTASIS - RESURRECTION) (4:06) Hillsong

I cast my mind to Calvary Where Jesus bled and died for me I see His wounds, His hands, His feet, My Saviour on that cursed tree His body bound and drenched in tears, They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone (Refrain) O praise the name of the Lord our God O praise His name forevermore For endless days we will sing Your praise Oh Lord, oh Lord our God And then on the third at break of dawn, The Son of heaven rose again O trampled death where is your sting? The angels roar for Christ the King (Refrain) He shall return in robes of white The blazing sun shall pierce the night And I will rise among the saints, My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face (Refrain) Oh Lord, oh Lord our God, Oh Lord, oh Lord our God

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