

# You will know who YOU ARE when you know WHO GOD IS!

Psalm 8 - *For the director of music. According to gittith. A psalm of David.*

v1 O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. v2 From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. v3 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, v4 what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? v5 You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honour. v6 You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: v7 all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, v8 the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. v9 O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

## I. DAVID, FIRSTLY, REMINDS US OF GOD'S POSITION

### 1. GOD'S NAME is SUPREME.

- i. "our Lord" - v1 = ADONAI - "The ONE who is MASTER OF ALL"
- ii. "O LORD" - v1 = YAHWEH - The PERSONAL and CONVENANTAL NAME of GOD

We first come across this name in:

*Exodus 3:13-15 Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?" v14 God said to Moses, "I am who I am . This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.' " v15 God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers--the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob--has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation.*

The NAME is considered so HOLY, that Jewish Scholars will still not write the NAME Yahweh out in full.

The NAME simply means, THE ONE WHO HAS ALWAYS BEEN THERE.

**Of COURSE, David is pointing to JESUS, who is the GREAT "I AM".**

### 2. GOD'S FAME is LEGENDARY.

v1 O LORD, our Lord, **how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

The MAJESTY of GOD refers to the declarations ONE GENERATION made to the NEXT GENERATION about how MARVELOUS GOD IS!! Like in:

*Psalms 145:4-7 One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts. v5 They will speak of the glorious splendour of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works. v6 They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds. v7 They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.*

The Apostle Paul reminds us of HUMANITIES failure to recognize the FAME of GOD in:

*Romans 1:18-25 The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, v19 since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. v20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.*

**v21 For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. v22 Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools v23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles.**

**v24 Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. v25 They exchanged the truth of God for**

*a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator--who is forever praised. Amen.*

### **3. GOD'S VALUE is BEYOND MEASURE.**

*You have set your glory above the heavens.*

Not even the "HEAVENS" above could contain the GLORY OF GOD

### **4. GOD'S HONOUR is WORTHY OF WORSHIP.**

*v2 From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise*

How do babies worship God? Not in recognisable words - that is clear. How then? BY THEIR VERY EXISTANCE!!! The infinitely complex process of cell multiplication and division which results in a baby proclaims most eloquently the existence and infinite wisdom and skill. Take the brain, for example: 100,000,000,000 cells, and each of them 'a sort of electro-chemical-factory-cum-microcomputer-cum-communications-system, as John White describes it. Oddly enough, roughly the same number of stars in our galaxy.... Think of that next time you peep into a pram.

## **II. DAVID, SECONDLY, REMINDS US OF THE WONDER OF CREATION**

*v3 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place*

### **1. GOD'S CREATION is VAST.**

The earth weights approximately

5,974,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 kilograms

"If we think about mass, the Earth weighs approximately six ronnagrams," which is a six followed by 27 zeroes, Brown said. "Jupiter, that's about two quettagrams," he added—a two followed by 30 zeros.

The mass of the sun is  $1.989 \times 10^{30}$  kilograms, about 333,000 times the mass of the Earth.

Many sources continue to list R136a1 as the heaviest star known at 250 solar masses. However, a recent study in 2022 puts its mass between 170 and 230 times more massive than our sun.

### **2. GOD'S CREATION is COMPLEX.** **CONSIDER DNA**

*... the DNA in a single cell of the human body contains as much information as the Encyclopedia Britannica – all thirty volumes – three or four times over. According to Smithsonian.com, the entire human body – blood, organs, skin, etc. – contains 37.2 trillion cells.*

*I was also reminded of a tale about a group of scientists who decided man had come a long way and no longer needed God. They could create life out of nothing like He did in the beginning, and, told Him so. God listened patiently until the scientists finished talking, and He replied, "Let's have a contest." To which the scientists agreed. Then God added, "Now, we're going to do this just like I did back in the old days with Adam." One scientist said, "Sure, no problem" and bent down and grabbed himself a handful of dirt. God interrupted and said, "No, no, no. Use your own dirt!" To create requires the infinite power of a Creator God. Psalm 24: 1-2 says, "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to Him."*

*Read more at: <https://www.andalusiastarnews.com/2018/06/23/complexity-of-dna-is-evidence-of-a-creator/>*

### **3. GOD'S CREATION is PURPOSEFUL.**

EVERYTHING in CREATION is MADE BY GOD!!!

**Gen 1:1** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

**Colossians 1:15-18** He (JESUS) is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. v16 For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. v17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. v18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

### **III. DAVID, THIRDLY, REMINDS US OF WHAT GOD THINKS OF US**

*v4 what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? v5 You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honour. v6 You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: v7 all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, v8 the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.*

#### **1. HUMANITY is in THE MIND of GOD.**

*v4 what is man that you are mindful of him*

The Hebrew word for "man" in this passage is "enosh" - "Mortal Man". David is astounded that God even thinks about weak, frail, moral, sinful humanity.

YET GOD DOES!!! You are no accident.

YOU ARE IN THE MIND OF GOD!!!!

#### **2. HUMANITY is in THE HEART of GOD.**

*v4 ... the son of man that you care for him?*

The Hebrew word for "care" in this passage is "paqad" - "to visit". David was being prophetic in this verse.

FOR JESUS WOULD "VISIT" THIS EARTH ABOUT 1000 YEARS AFTER DAVID LIVED.

The greatest way in which GOD CARES FOR US is to redeem us from the pit of hell!!!

#### **3. HUMANITY is in THE PLAN of GOD.**

*v5 You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honour. v6 You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: v7 all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, v8 the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas?*

The PINNACLE of creation is the creation of HUMANITY.

MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD.

*Genesis 1:26-27 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." v27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.*

YOU WERE MADE FOR A PURPOSE

### **Conclusion**

**THAT PURPOSE IS FOUND IN THE LAST VERSE OF THE PSALM**  
***v9 O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!***

**WE WERE MADE TO GLORIFY GOD AND ENJOY HIM FOREVER!!**