



# IN HIS PRESENCE

## Lesson 2 – The Purpose of Man

### I. GOD IS...

- A. Two key attributes of his nature: God is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Working definition: Worship is our attempt to accurately understand, explain, praise, thank, magnify, glorify, and imitate the King of kings and the Lord of lords.

### WHY DOES MANKIND EXIST? WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

### II. THE GLORY DUE HIS NAME

- A. Define or describe "glory"
  
- B. Hebrew word: *kavod*
  - 1. literal meaning: \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. usual meaning: \_\_\_\_\_, presence, majesty, \_\_\_\_\_
    - a) example: Joseph's "kavod" in Egypt (Gen. 45:13)
  
- C. What demonstrates God's glory?
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_ (Genesis 1-2, Psalm 8, 29:2, 148)
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_ (Exodus 14:4ff, Psalm 66:1-6ff)
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Isaiah 60:1, 19-20, 2 Cor. 4:4, Rev. 21:21-23)
  
  - 4. God's glory as \_\_\_\_\_ understood it (Exodus 33:12-23)
    - a) vv. 15-16 – the surpassing worth of God's presence
    - b) v. 18 – "Show me your glory"
    - c) v. 19 – God's self-described glory: My \_\_\_\_\_, My \_\_\_\_\_, My \_\_\_\_\_, My \_\_\_\_\_

- d) Moses sees part of God's physical form
  - (1) But his physical form *is not* his true glory

5. \_\_\_\_\_

a) Psalm 57, Psalm 79:8-10, Psalm 85:9, Jeremiah 33:9ff, Colossians 3:1-4

6. \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ – the fullness of his glory!

a) Luke 2:29-32, Luke 19:38, Hebrews 1:3, Ephesians 3:14-21, Rev. 21:22-25

D. His glory is in his...

1. P\_\_\_\_\_.
2. P\_\_\_\_\_.
3. P\_\_\_\_\_ & p\_\_\_\_\_.
4. P\_\_\_\_\_.

### III. TO GLORIFY GOD

A. Does our worship increase God's glory?

1. Answer: \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Then what is worship's purpose?

1. We express the \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ of which he is worthy.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ his glory of which he is inherently possessed.
3. We are blessed with increased capacity for \_\_\_\_\_, for love, and for our own glory.

### IV. WHY DOES MANKIND EXIST? WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

"\_\_\_\_\_ is man's full reason for existence. Worship is why we are born and why we are born again. Worship is why there is church, the assembly of the Redeemed, in the first place. Worshiping God is our first call."

- A.W. Tozer, from The Purpose of Man

"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, to him be \_\_\_\_\_ in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

- Ephesians 3:20-21

## FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Reading assignments: Psalm 28, 34, 36, 111, 146, 150

Define "praise" in your own words. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Based on the readings assigned above, what physical actions would you expect to observe as manifestations of the psalmists' praise to God? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Is it right to think of worship as a *celebration*? Why or why not? Give Bible examples or teachings to support your answer. \_\_\_\_\_  
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