

PSALM 8

HOW MAJESTIC IS YOUR NAME

To the choirmaster: according to The Gittith.*

A Psalm of David.

- 1 O LORD, our Lord,
 how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- 2 Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
you have established strength because of your foes,
 to still the enemy and the avenger.
- 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?
- 5 Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
 and crowned him with glory and honor.
- 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.
- 9 O LORD, our Lord,
 how majestic is your name in all the earth!

(*) - probably a musical or liturgical term

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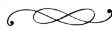
Additional Sermon Notes for September 1, 2024

PSALMS FOR THE WORST OF CIRCUMSTANCES

Psalms 3 – 9

Through each of these psalms written by David we, as believers, can experience the wider story of God's providence. We will experience:

1. Psalm 3: The Battle for Superiority by Unbelievers Who Disregard God's Purposes
2. Psalm 4: The Reminder to Trust God's Providence
3. Psalm 5: The Contrast of Righteousness with Rebellion
4. Psalm 6: The Feeling God Judges Me with the Rebellious
5. Psalm 7: Defensiveness Regarding Enemies' Accusations
6. Psalm 8: The Worship of the LORD's Majesty
7. Psalm 9: The Defeat of the LORD's Enemies



DR. HAMILTON'S PROPOSED POETIC CHIASM FOR PSALMS 3 – 9

Psalm 3 – Absalom's night of opportunity

Psalm 4 – David's morning prayer

Psalm 5 – They are wicked, not I

Psalm 6 – Don't give me what they deserve

Psalm 7 – Plea of innocence

Psalm 8 – Begotten son of Adam

Psalm 9 – Absalom's death