Psalms 29: 1-9

Psalm 29 King James Version (KJV)

1 Give unto the Lord, O ye mighty, give unto the Lord glory and strength. 2 Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the Lord is upon many waters.

4 The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty. 5 The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedars; yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Lebanon. 6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn. 7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire. 8 The voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness; the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh. 9 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.

"The voice of the Lord," a phrase repeated seven times throughout the scripture. The verse highlights the awesomeness of the Lord's presence and the power of which He possesses. The entirety of this psalm is devoted to singing praise to the Lord and His majesty. The voice of the Lord is likened to the power of a storm, "the God of glory thundereth." The language used in this psalm gives the reader a sense of the power that God possesses. This particular piece of scripture stands out from others in that it gives no orders or rules. The reader is not being called to do anything. This psalm only lifts up praise to God and recognizes His strength.

Just as David, the author of this psalm, had done, we (God's people) should remember to give praise to the Lord and to reflect on His greatness. It is easy to forget amongst the constant clamor of the day, just how amazing the Lord truly is. We focus so much of our lives on our tasks. Driving to work. Cooking dinner. Cleaning the house. It must amaze God how we could live our lives surrounded by His likeness, yet only acknowledge him for an hour once a week. Remember that the Lord is everywhere and in everything. Take a moment here and there to reflect on this. Look around you, take in your surroundings. Do you hear His voice in the water that trickles out of the faucet? How about in the rustling of the trees? Or perhaps in every breath you take? God is there. God is here. He is powerful and He is wonderful. Remember Him and give Him His praise. Glory be to God!

Prayer "Dear Heavenly Father, Thank you for all that you do for us. Thank you for your love, for your guidance, for your forgiveness. Help us, oh Lord, to remember Your presence and may Your voice not fall onto deaf ears. Help us to listen when You call and to take comfort in Your glory. I love you, Father. You are powerful. You are strong. And with You, I find my own strength. I lift up this prayer to You, oh Lord, and I give to you my praise. Please forgive me of my sins, forgive us all of our sins, and help us all to do better in the future. Please keep us happy, healthy, and safe. You are wonderful, Lord. Thank you for your voice. In your precious name I pray, Amen"

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