

1 – Worth

Jamie reminds us that God is worthy of our praise and worship. Why is God worthy of these things? Why does God demand worship from us?

What would it look like for a human to demand praise? Is that ever appropriate? Why or why not?

Why is God in the right here?

2 – Might

God is utterly more powerful than any human or natural force. In fact, he created all of them and holds them together by his Word. How does God use his might? Why does he use his might?

He does not always use his power in ways we'd expect or like. Why is this? Why do his plans not always line up with ours?

3 – Rebirth

Jamie points out God's oversight of the deer giving birth as an example of his redemptive power.

Where do we see instances of his redemptive power in our lives? How does he do it? How does he work it out? What methods does he use?

4 – Groanings

Jamie brings up Paul's words in Romans 8, where Paul reminds us that the creation is groaning for God's return, for the world to be made new.

What does this groaning look like? How do we perceive it?

5 – The Goodness of God

Jamie says that God's goodness is made manifest when he died for our sins on the cross, undergoing the destruction of the flood so that he could save us.

How does this make God different from other objects of worship? How does it differentiate Jesus from other "religious figures" that man sets up?

Why does it make God good? What was God's goal in dying on the cross?

Scripture Passage:

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,^[a]
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Sermon Notes for Reflection and Discussion: Psalm 29

- ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.^(b)
- ³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over 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 breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
- ⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth^(c)
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
- ¹¹ May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless^(d) his people with peace!