The Enthronement Psalms (Psalms 93–99)

Scripture Reading

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- The merciful God should be worshiped (verses 8-9).

The Main Point of Psalm 99

Christian, exalt our holy and merciful God, who was the terror of the earthly Sinai and who is the joy of the heavenly Zion.

Exalt your holy God in abject humility "at his footstool" (verse 5).

"If you think you can't fall into sexual sin, then you're godlier than David, stronger than Samson, and wiser than Solomon."

— Bill Perkins, founder and president of the Million Mighty Men and teaching pastor at Coast Hills Community Church in McMinnville, Oregon "Thus says the LORD:

'Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool; what is the house that you would build for me, and what is the place of my rest? All these things my hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares the LORD. But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word."

Isaiah 66:1-2

Exalt your merciful God in glad wonder "at his holy mountain" (verse 9).

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"to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel" (Hebrews 12:23-24).

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"For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem *to be a joy*, and her people *to be a gladness*" (Isaiah 65:17-18).