



THE PATTERN FOR GODLY WORSHIP

Psalm 24

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Psalm 24 and Psalm 15 have been called “entrance liturgies” or “entrance ceremonies” while others have called it a song of praise. Both songs do answer the question, “Who can enter the holy place of God?” Last Sunday, we saw requirements for approaching God's presence known as his sanctuary, tent or his hill of Zion. The most common historical occasion of Psalm 24, is during the time of the ancient worship of Yahweh as the Israelites were bringing the ark of the covenant to Jerusalem (read in 1 Chronicles 13-16).

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A Psalm of David.

*“The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, **2** for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers. **3** Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place? **4** He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. **5** He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation. **6** Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. **Selah** **7** Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. **8** Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle! **9** Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. **10** Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!” **Selah***

God's Pattern of Worship in Psalm 24 is...

1. Worship The Lord in OBSERVATION. (v 1-6)

- God has OWNERSHIP over ALL Creation.

*“O nations of the world, recognize the LORD, recognize that the LORD is glorious and strong. Give to the LORD the glory he deserves! Bring your offering and come into his presence. Worship the Lord in all his holy splendor.” **1 Chronicles 16:28-29***

- Worshippers DECLARE the Glory that our God DESERVES!

2. Worship The Lord in REMEMBRANCE. (v 7-10)

- The LORD of Hosts is the KING of GLORY.

*"Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied." **1 Samuel 17:45***

Principles of Worship at FBC Cypress is...

- We EXALT Christ as Lord.
- We EXHORT the Saints.
- We EXPOUND on God's Word.

- Jesus alone is QUALIFIED to ascend to HEAVEN. (v 3-4)

- Jesus alone is the VICTORIOUS Lord, for whom the gates of glory OPEN. (v 7-10)

*"Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." **John 14:6***

*"For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. **19** So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God" **Ephesians 2:18-19***

*"This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, **12** in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him." **Ephesians 3:11-12***

*"giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. **13** He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, **14** in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." **Colossians 1:12-14***

- Jesus alone has AUTHORITY to GATHER His CHOSEN ONES in the world.

*"He will send out His angels with the mighty blast of a trumpet, and they will gather His chosen ones from all over the world." **Matthew 24:31***

*"“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. **8** For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." **Matthew 7:7-8***