**Sermon Title: The Majesty of God Our Savior**

**Sermon Text: Psalm 93**

**Sermon Purpose: To call the hearer to a greater love, appreciation, and dependency on God our Savior.**

**Sermon Proposition: There are 3 character traits related to God’s majesty that should be celebrated.**

**Introduction:** The contents of the Psalms illustrate many reasons for God to be worshipped and celebrated. He is the Sovereign King, Who is the Creator and Sustainer of people and the rest of the physical world. In the Psalms, worship and celebration is an activity to be engaged in by individuals and groups of people who enjoy a covenant relationship with God.

**Psalm 50:5** "Gather My saints together to Me, Those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice."

**Titus 2:13** looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

No matter the situation or circumstances, good times or bad times, God’s people can and should focus upon God and arrange their lives around Him.

No subjects were off limits as they approached Yahweh.

1. When people doubted, they said so.

2. When people sinned, they confessed.

3. When people suffered, they pleaded to God for deliverance.

4. When things were going well or deliverance was granted, they thanked God and praised Him for His abundant blessings.

5. Finally, through their worship and celebration, individually and corporately, they encouraged one another, the rest of humanity, and the whole creation to praise the Lord.

**I. The majesty of God should be celebrated because of His Sovereign Reign. V.1**

**II. The majesty of God should be celebrated because of His Sovereign Rulership. V.2-4**

**III. The majesty of God should be celebrated because of His Sovereign Revelation. V.5**

**I. The majesty of God should be celebrated because of His Sovereign Reign. V.1**

 God must be viewed as the Sovereign King, with unlimited power, and total control over the world and its affairs.

 Psalm 93 and 95-100 are dedicated to describing and celebrating God’s Sovereign Kingship over the world and creation, that is providentially administered through His Son.

 **Colossians 1:17** And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

 Nothing and no one is more majestic, more powerful, and steadfast than His reign, or more sure than His revelation (in Scripture).

 A. The Sovereign King is adorned with **majesty**. V.1a

 B. The Sovereign King is adorned with **power**. V.1b

 C. The Sovereign King is adorned with sustainability. V.1c

 All the people of the world are either charged or said to worship Yahweh.

 **Psalm 22:27** All the ends of the world Shall remember and turn to the LORD, And all the families of the nations Shall worship before You1.

 **Psalm 66:4** All the earth shall worship You And sing praises to You; They shall sing praises *to* Your name." Selah

 **Psalm 86:9** All nations whom You have made Shall come and worship before You, O Lord, And shall glorify Your name.

 **Psalm 98:4-6** Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth; Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises. **5** Sing to the LORD with the harp, With the harp and the sound of a psalm, **6** With trumpets and the sound of a horn; Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King.

 **Psalm 65:6** Who established the mountains by His strength, *Being* clothed with power;

 This is because all the moral and legal order of life will be solidified under His dominion.

**II. The majesty of God should be celebrated because of His Sovereign Rulership. V.2-4**

 A. The eternality of God’s rulership. V.2a

 Since His throne was established in eternity past, His reign and rulership on earth are solidly insured.

 **Psalm 45:6** Your throne, O God, *is* forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness *is* the scepter of Your kingdom.

 B. The eternality of God’s **existence**. V.2b

 God has no beginning. He is not a created being. This concept of the eternal existence of God stands in drastic contrast with theology of all other gods (Mesopotamia and Canaan). In these neighboring regions, the power of gods varied according to changes in the political arena.

 **1 Samuel 5:1** Then the Philistines took the ark of God and brought it from Ebenezer to Ashdod. **2** When the Philistines took the ark of God, they brought it into the temple of Dagon1 and set it by Dagon. (1Sa 5:2 NKJ) **3** And when the people of Ashdod arose early in the morning, there was Dagon, fallen on its face to the earth before the ark of the LORD. So they took Dagon and set it in its place again. (1Sa 5:3 NKJ) **4** And when they arose early the next morning, there was Dagon, fallen on its face to the ground before the ark of the LORD. The head of Dagon and both the palms of its hands *were* broken off on the threshold; only Dagon's *torso*1 was left of it. (1Sa 5:4 NKJ) **5** Therefore neither the priests of Dagon nor any who come into Dagon's house tread on the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod to this day. (1Sa 5:5 NKJ)

 Illustration: (The Ark of the Covenant before the Philistine god.)

 (Prophets of Baal and Elijah.)

 (Paul in Athens Acts 17:16-17, 22-29

 C. The eternality of God’s power. V. 3-4

 The sea with all its power is nothing in comparison to the power of God. Floods were an ancient symbol of the force and chaos of evil.

 **Psalm 18:4** The pangs of death surrounded me, And the floods of ungodliness made me afraid. **Psalm 18:15** Then the channels of the sea were seen, The foundations of the world were uncovered At Your rebuke, O LORD, At the blast of the breath of Your nostrils.

 In the Old Testament, the sea and floods are sometimes an emblem of hostility and chaos.

 **Isaiah 17:12-13** Woe to the multitude of many people *Who* make a noise like the roar of the seas, And to the rushing of nations *That* make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters! **13** The nations will rush like the rushing of many waters; But *God* will rebuke them and they will flee far away, And be chased like the chaff of the mountains before the wind, Like a rolling thing before the whirlwind.

 The seas pales in comparison to the power of God.

**III. The majesty of God should be celebrated because of His Sovereign Revelation. V.5**

 A. Because of Sovereignty, His **testimonies** are sure. V.5a (**Psalm 119**)

 **Psalm 19:7** The law of the LORD *is* perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple;

 B. Because the house of the Lord is filled with Holiness in contrast to the corrupt houses and dwelling places of the false gods, the Lord’s Word, instruction, commands, wisdom, and revelation are trustworthy. Because He rules in majesty, power, and holiness, everyone is to worship and celebrate Him, and obey His Word forever.

 **2 Chronicles 7:1-3** When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the temple1. **2** And the priests could not enter the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD'S house. **3** When all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD on the temple, they bowed their faces to the ground on the pavement, and worshiped and praised the LORD, *saying*: "For *He is* good, For His mercy *endures* forever1."

 **1 Corinthians 3:16-17** Do you not know that you are the temple of God and *that* the Spirit of God dwells in you? **17** If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which *temple* you are.

 **1 Corinthians 6:19-20** Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? **20** For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body1 and in your spirit, which are God's.