

Holy Boldness

Psalm 115

Psa. 115

- 1 Not to us, O LORD, not to us,
But to Your name give glory
Because of Your lovingkindness, because of Your truth.
- 2 Why should the nations say,
“Where, now, is their God?”
- 3 But our God is in the heavens;
He does whatever He pleases.

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I. Boldly Declare God's Supremacy

A. A God-Glorifying Prayer

“God is very jealous of the two glorious attributes of grace and truth, and the plea that these may not be dishonoured has great weight with him.” Spurgeon

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- I. Boldly Declare God's Supremacy
 - A. A God-Glorifying Prayer
 - B. A Heathen Taunt
 - C. A Bold Retort

Gen 50:20 “As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good.”

Job 42:2

“I know that You can do all things,
And that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted.

Dan 4:35

“All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing,

But He does according to His will in the host of heaven

And among the inhabitants of earth;

And no one can ward off His hand

Or say to Him, ‘What have You done?’

Is 46:9-10

“Remember the former things long past,

For I am God, and there is no other;

I am God, and there is no one like Me,

Declaring the end from the beginning,

And from ancient times things which have not been done,

Saying, ‘My purpose will be established,

And I will accomplish all My good pleasure’

Acts 4:27 “For truly in this city there were gathered together against Your holy servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, 28 to do whatever Your hand and Your purpose predestined to occur.

Eph 1:11 also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will.

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- I. Boldly Declare God's Supremacy
- II. Boldly Renounce All False Hope

4 Their idols are silver and gold,
The work of man's hands.

5 They have mouths, but they cannot speak;
They have eyes, but they cannot see;

6 They have ears, but they cannot hear;
They have noses, but they cannot smell;

7 They have hands, but they cannot feel;
They have feet, but they cannot walk;
They cannot make a sound with their throat.

8 Those who make them will become like them,
Everyone who trusts in them.

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 - A. The Supreme Folly of Idolatry

Ezek 14:4 “Any man of the house of Israel who sets up his idols in his heart, puts right before his face the stumbling block of his iniquity.”

Matthew 6:24 “No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Col. 3:5 Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

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- II. Boldly Renounce All False Hope
 - A. The Supreme Folly of Idolatry
 - B. The Startling Fate of Idolators

Rom. 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, 19 because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. 20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse. 21 For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures.

Rom. 1:24 Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. 25 For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

Rom. 1:26 For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, 27 and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error.

Rom. 1:28 And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper, 29 being filled with all unrighteousness

1John 5:21 Little children, guard yourselves from idols.

1John 2:15 Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. 17 The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.

Psalm 115:8 Those who make them will become like them,
Everyone who trusts in them.

2 Cor 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

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- II. Boldly Renounce All False Hope
- III. Boldly Trust in God's Protection

Psa. 115:9 O Israel, trust in the LORD;

He is their help and their shield.

10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD;

He is their help and their shield.

11 You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD;

He is their help and their shield.

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 - A. The Nature of Trust

Prov. 28:1 The wicked flee when no one is pursuing,
But the righteous are bold as a lion.

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 - A. The Nature of Trust
 - B. The Basis of Trust

Psa. 27:1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;

Whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the defense of my life;

Whom shall I dread?

2 When evildoers came upon me to devour my flesh,
My adversaries and my enemies, they stumbled and fell.

3 Though a host encamp against me,
My heart will not fear;
Though war arise against me,
In spite of this I shall be confident.

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- IV. Boldly Believe God's Promise

- 12 The LORD has been mindful of us; He will bless us;
He will bless the house of Israel;
He will bless the house of Aaron.
- 13 He will bless those who fear the LORD,
The small together with the great.
- 14 May the LORD give you increase,
You and your children.
- 15 May you be blessed of the LORD,
Maker of heaven and earth.

Gal 3:13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us — for it is written, “CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE” — 14 in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Rom. 8:31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?

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- V. Boldly Commit to God's Praise

Psa. 115:16 The heavens are the heavens of the LORD,

But the earth He has given to the sons of men.

17 The dead do not praise the LORD,

Nor do any who go down into silence;

18 But as for us, we will bless the LORD

From this time forth and forever.

Praise the LORD!

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