

SUBJECT: God.

TITLE: Our Great God.

PROPOSITION: To begin looking at how great our God is.

OBJECTIVE: So we will know just how great he really is.

INTRODUCTION:

1. Read the text.
2. Regarding the text.
 - (1) Our text tells us the following about our Lord--
 - A. He is terrible--"yārē": A verb meaning to fear, to respect, to reverence, to be afraid, to be awesome" (*Word Study Dictionary*, e-Sword).
 - B. He is to be revered (Psa. 111:9).
 - C. He is awesome (Psa. 89:7).
 - (2) Our text also tells us--
 - A. That God is great (Psa. 48:1).
 - B. Great is our Lord and great is his power (Psa. 147:5).
 - C. Our God is greater than we can imagine.
 - (3) Let us look at God's greatness.
3. Reference To S.T.P.O.

DISCUSSION: IN OUR STUDY LET US NOTICE THAT--

- I. OUR GREAT GOD IS GREAT IN MERCY (Psa. 145:8).
 1. Some question whether or not God is merciful.
 - (1) The Amalekite destruction (1 Sam. 15:2-4; Judges 6:33; 1 Sam. 14:48)
 - (2) The Midianite virgins (Num. 31:16-18).
 - (3) The Amorite destruction (Gen. 15:16).
 2. God is a merciful God (1 Chron. 16:34).
 - (1) God will not be merciful to those who refuse to repent (1 Jno. 5:16,17).
 - (2) God will forgive any sin that we will repent of (2 Pet. 3:9).
 - (3) Godly sorrow works repentance (2 Cor. 7:10).
 3. God is great in mercy, but we must do the things that he tells us to in order to obtain this mercy.
- II. OUR GREAT GOD IS GREAT IN GOODNESS (Psa. 145:7).
 1. God is good (Mt. 19:16,17).
 - (1) Because God is good he cannot lie (Tit. 1:2; 1 Kgs. 12:22,23; 2 Thess. 2:10-12).
 - (2) Because God is good he cannot allow sin to stand in his presence (Hab. 1:13, Job 1:6-8).
 - (3) Because God is good he will save those who obey and he will not save those who do not (1 Jno. 5:13; 2 Thess. 1:7-9).
 2. God's goodness is--
 - (1) Matched with his severity (Rom. 11:22).
 - (2) What is needed to fill the hungry soul (Psa. 107, 8,9).
 - (3) Always enduring (Psa. 52:1).
 3. God is good, but we must obey him in order for his goodness to save us.
- III. OUR GREAT GOD IS GREAT IN RIGHTEOUSNESS (Psa. 11:7).
 1. God is infinite in righteousness (Psa. 112:3).

- (1) God's righteousness is like the great mountains (Psa. 36:6).
- (2) God's hand is full of righteousness (Psa. 48:10).
- (3) God's righteousness is everlasting (Psa. 119:142).
2. God will judge the world in righteousness (Psa. 98:9).
 - (1) He has appointed a day in which he will judge the world (Acts 17:30,31).
 - (2) He will separate the sheep from the goats (Mt. 25:34-46).
 - (3) We will all appear before the judgment seat of Christ (2 Cor. 5:10).
3. Because God is truly righteous, he keep his word as he has delivered it.

CONCLUSION:

SUMMARY: We have seen in this lesson that--

1. Our great God is great in mercy.
2. Our great God is great in goodness.
3. Our great God is great in righteousness.

APPEAL: Our God is great. When we think of how great he is it behooves us to want to follow him. (Offer the invitation).

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