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Psalm 8

9/25/12

Vs. 1-2 show that God's glory is above the innocent and the guilty, and the heavens;  
Vs. 3-9 show that one "human" is above all the Creation.

Jesus Christ quoted vs. 2 (Matthew 21:16) describing His entry into Jerusalem for His final week on earth; the Hebrews writer (Paul?) quoted vs. 4-5 (Hebrews 2:6-7) as pointing to Jesus Christ; and Paul quoted vs. 6 (1 Corinthians 15:27-28; Ephesians 1:22-23) as fulfilled in Jesus Christ. There can be no doubt but that this Psalm was Messianic in its fulfillment.

The question: "What is man that You are mindful of him?" is asked again by David (Psalm 144:3), but here it shows the insignificance of humankind compared to the awesomeness of the Creation. It is answered in the phrase "son of man" "visited." Humans are significant to God because He sent His only begotten Son (one special man) on their behalf (John 1:18). Jesus Christ is called "Immanuel" (Matthew 1:22-23), for God was with mankind in bodily form only this once. God "dwelt among us" (*tabernacled*, John 1:14) temporarily in Jesus' lifetime (Colossians 2:9). After His resurrection from the dead, Jesus once again could claim that "all authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth" (Matthew 28:18), for He no longer had any fleshly limitations to His Divinity. To deny that Jesus Christ was God in the flesh (and with some of its limitations) is "antichrist" (1 John 4:1-3).

We must all, ask ourselves the question: "What could I possibly mean to God?" We must, however, be prepared to see the answer: "The Son of God...loved me and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20). And, then, give in to what He demands of us (Mark 16:15-16).

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***All Scriptures and comments, unless otherwise noted, are based on the New King James Version.***