

Ps 95:1-2

O come, let us sing for joy to the LORD, Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.



Ps 95:1

Christ is to be the subject of our spiritual songs, and is the Person to whose honor and glory they should be directed:

"Come" leave where you are and come

Here, it is a better place. It is a place of joy; a place where we can forget about ourselves for a while and look to Him who loves us and gave Himself for us.

"Let us sing" there is a unity among His people. Here, we are all one.

You in me and I in you. It is our praise to Him that binds us together. And how do we sing?

"Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation"

Our singing is "only" a melody to God when it is tuned to thanksgiving. I am thankful for my salvation.

v.2 *Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.*

"Come" come quickly, hasten

Here is a heart whose gratitude makes him zealous to be in the presence of the Lord.

To him.

Worship is vital because it is so impacting.

Let's stand and sing to God,

"God Of Wonders"

v.3-6

v.3 *For the LORD is a great God And a great King above all gods,*

3 names here for the Lord

"Lord" Jehovah (His strength)

"God" El (His essence)

"King" Melek (relationship to mankind)

And He is above all!

v.4 *In whose hand are the depths of the earth, The peaks of the mountains are His also.*

All is in His hands signifying His total and complete dominion over all things.

His hand can reach down to the greatest deeps and his hand reach up to the greatest heights.

v.5 *The sea is His, for it was He who made it, And His hands formed the dry land.*

The psalmist is remembering the days of creation:

Then God said, "Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so.

God called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and God saw that it was good. Gen 1:9-10

v.6 *Come, let us worship and bow down, Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.*

Humble your heart

Prostrate your thoughts and lay them at Jesus' feet

Worship Him with no other thoughts in your mind but

"Set your affections on things above, no on things of the earth, for you are hid with Christ in God."

Do you see Jesus for who He really is?

The Creator, the Almighty, the Everlasting God!

Let's stand and sing about the Greatness of God

"How Great Is Our God"

v.7

For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

We are His own.

He feeds us and governs us.

"our God" We have a personal God

And we are His people

We are the *sheep of His hand*

As the flock are in the hand of the shepherd,

He leads them, guides them, fights for them and lays his life down for them.

So we are the sheep of our Lord's hand.

It's an acknowledgment:

*The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside quiet waters.
He restores my soul; He guides me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You have anointed my head with oil; My cup overflows.
Surely goodness and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life, And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
And there,
We will bask in His love!*

v.7b-11 In conclusion

*Today, if you would hear His voice,
Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, As in the day of Massah in the wilderness,*

v.9 *"When your fathers tested Me, They tried Me, though they had seen My work.*

v.10 *"For forty years I loathed that generation, And said they are a people who err in their heart, And they do not know My ways.*

v.11 *"Therefore I swore in My anger, Truly they shall not enter into My rest."*

The generation of Israelites that came out of Egypt in the Exodus consistently complained against Moses and God.

They were prevented from entering the Land of Promise but their children went in.

God gave them every opportunity to repent through the miracles He performed for them:

- Manna from heaven
- Quail from the sky
- Clothes that never wore out
- Water from a rock

And yet, they hardened their hearts and refused to listen.

Some can learn the hard way and others the easy way that our God is an awesome God.

His works testify of His greatness.

His Son testifies of His love.

His forgiveness testifies of mercy.

Your life testifies of His provision.

Oh, a God of awe is He!