

Psalms 33

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You can't run away from God, you can only run toward to God

Psalm 33

In this psalmist, the psalmist urges the righteous to rejoice in Jehovah, and then explains in detail why he praises Jehovah because: by his mighty creation of the world; And the history of the nations and nations is in his hands. Blessed are the eyes of the LORD who see over his people. The poem is divided into three sections: (1) praise God's call; (2) the reason for praising God; (3) Praise God's summary.

What kind of people are we: righteous or wicked? Is it the righteous or the crooked? What do we enjoy ourselves in: material comforts? Myself? Vice? Or is it "my heart magnifies in the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior"? God's speech is upright and powerful, "of the word of God, there is not a word without power." (Luke 1:38) God's Word still has the power to change and shape the lives of believers today.

Verses 1–3 have three "shoulds": rejoicing in the Lord, playing the harp, and singing new songs to Him. The righteous and the upright shall come and praise Jehovah with every musical instrument, "Let him sing a new song, played skillfully and with a loud voice." The righteous are right, sinless people, especially those who keep the covenant, in which we become the people of the Lord, that is, the righteous; An upright person is a man who walks rightly and stands right, and his ways are not crooked, but his heart and mind are upright. Although we are sinful, God has opened a way for us to atone for our sins, which is the Old Testament; In the New Testament, Jesus made the Old Testament possible. So in Jesus, we become more righteous, we have the Holy Spirit in us, we are all upright people, although we are weak, but as long as we are willing to seek God, what we can't do, Jesus comes to redeem us. So we are to praise Him and sing new songs to Him. Psalm 33 reminds the saved that we need to fear God from all our hearts in order to be motivated and unaffected by circumstances. Prayers of praise are pleasing to

God, fearful to Satan, and bring God's blessings and joy. God's love is everywhere, allowing the voice of praise to fill every moment of our lives.

Do we live without fear of God? We often think that God doesn't lose his temper and responds to his needs. There is often this misconception that our God is not like this. To those who don't know God, you Christians are pathetic, worthless faith. Psalm 33 mainly reminds us what kind of God we know is: He is the God who created all things in the universe, He works in the world, and we need to understand that He has the authority to give blessings and curses, so that we will not think that we are at a disadvantage compared to unbelievers, because others can speculate, although they seem to take advantage of stealing, cheating, embezzlement, etc., but there will be problems. God doesn't let us do these things because he wants to keep us from future problems.

"If anyone fears God and fears his wrath, let him look to God and trust in his lovingkindness. Man cannot 'flee' from God, but only run toward to God." "The earth is full of Jehovah's lovingkindness" shows that God's lovingkindness is everywhere and that God has many precious promises to his people, but the fulfillment of those promises is in God's time, not in our time. Therefore, we need to wait on Jehovah. The psalmist has a deep understanding of God, and he knows that no matter how devout his faith is, life will encounter difficulties. Even more frighteningly, life's difficulties can sometimes shake people's faith and lead to doubts about God. Therefore, when the psalmist expresses his beliefs, he fixes the center of his faith on "rejoicing in him" rather than on anything external. The psalmist has a strong belief in praising God, but he knows that he cannot keep it by his own will. So, at the end of the hymn, he prays from the bottom of his heart to God to "look up" to God's "mercy" to sustain him and strengthen his trust.

There will always be many trials and difficulties in our lives, and those who do not know God are not reliable in God, and those who know God do not rely on Him. As a result, joy is often lost and suffering is often found in the environment. At the beginning of this psalm, the psalmist exhorts those who belong to God to rejoice and rejoice in God, and to rise up and praise God in every way. God's rule and judgment are perfectly fair and upright; His words are pure, His deeds are faithful, and He is loving, fair, and righteous. In a world of the jungle, judgment is based on strength and ability, not fairness, justice and mercy, so there is a lot of grief and bitterness in many corners of the world, but God, who sees all the earth and sees people's hearts, will eventually reach out and judge all this, and He will hear the voices of the wronged and avenge them.

The psalmist said that the whole earth should fear God, but the whole earth did not do that. Paul also had this experience, in Acts 17, when he went to Athens, he saw the people afraid and begged for "an unknown God," and Paul said to them, "You do not know this "unknown God," but you are so afraid; Again, Paul says that we already know the God who created the universe, but we never fear God.

We prayed in faith:

Dear Lord Jesus, please give us greater faith and remove all the little faith from our hearts. Let us not by sight, by feeling, but by trusting in Your salvation, Your promises, and Your omnipotence. Your love never leaves, your time never slips, and your promises never fail. Help us to hold fast to your Word, and in all things by prayer and supplication, to tell you what we want. Pray for the Lord's help, and for the Lord to sustain us. Pray that the Lord will give us precious faith so that we can be children of the kingdom of God with great faith!

In the name of Jesus Christ I pray, amen.

Psalm 33^[a]

33 You godly ones, shout for joy because of the Lord!

It is appropriate for the morally upright to offer him praise.

² **Give thanks to the Lord with the harp.**

Sing to him to the accompaniment of a ten-stringed instrument.

³ **Sing to him a new song.**^[b]

Play skillfully as you shout out your praises to him.^[c]

⁴ **For the Lord's decrees**^[d] **are just,**^[e]

and everything he does is fair.^[f]

⁵ **He promotes**^[g] **equity and justice;**

the Lord's faithfulness extends throughout the earth.^[h]

⁶ **By the Lord's decree**^[i] **the heavens were made,**

and by the breath^[j] **of his mouth all the starry hosts.**

⁷ **He piles up the water of the sea;**^[k]

he puts the oceans^[l] **in storehouses.**

⁸ **Let the whole earth fear**^[m] **the Lord.**

Let all who live in the world stand in awe of him.

⁹ **For he spoke, and it**^[n] **came into existence.**

He issued the decree,^[o] **and it stood firm.**

¹⁰ **The Lord frustrates**^[p] **the decisions of the nations;**

he nullifies the plans^[q] **of the peoples.**

¹¹ **The Lord's decisions stand forever;**

his plans abide throughout the ages.^[r]

¹² **How blessed**^[s] **is the nation whose God is the Lord,**

the people whom he has chosen to be his special possession.^[t]

¹³ **The Lord watches**^[u] **from heaven;**

he sees all people.^[v]

¹⁴ **From the place where he lives he looks carefully**

at all the earth's inhabitants.

¹⁵ **He is the one who forms every human heart,**^[w]

and takes note of all their actions.

¹⁶ **No king is delivered by his vast army;**

a warrior is not saved by his great might.

¹⁷ **A horse disappoints those who trust in it for victory;**^[x]

despite its great strength, it cannot deliver.

¹⁸ **Look, the Lord takes notice of his loyal followers,**^[y]

those who wait for him to demonstrate his faithfulness^[z]

¹⁹ **by saving their lives from death**^[aa]

and sustaining them during times of famine.^[ab]

²⁰ **We**^[ac] **wait for the Lord;**

he is our deliverer^[ad] **and shield.**^[ae]

²¹ **For our hearts rejoice in him,**

for we trust in his holy name.

²² **May we experience your faithfulness, O Lord,**^[af]

for^[ag] **we wait for you.**

Psalm 33 is a hymn of praise and thanksgiving to God, emphasizing His sovereignty, power, and faithfulness in creation and history. It is a song of hope and trust in God's divine providence, celebrating His justice and the ultimate victory of His will.

Full Description of Psalm 33:

Title: *Psalm 33* is titled "The Greatness of the Lord" or "A Song of Praise," depending on the translation. It's often described as a communal or public praise song for the people of Israel, calling on them to worship God for His mighty works.

Context and Theme:

- **Psalm 33 calls on the faithful to praise God with music and song (verses 1-3), acknowledging His power as the Creator (verses 4-9) and His providence in the affairs of humanity (verses 10-19). The psalmist reflects on the fact that God's counsel and plan stand forever (verse 11).**
- **The psalm shifts focus to the nation of Israel, emphasizing that God's people are blessed when they trust in Him (verses 12-22).**
- **The central theme is the power and righteousness of God, contrasted with the frailty and limitations of human efforts.**

Key Verses from Psalm 33:

- 1. Verses 1-3: Call to Praise** *"Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him. Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy."*
 - **This opening invites the righteous to celebrate God with music and song, emphasizing the joy that comes from praising the Creator.**
- 2. Verses 4-5: God's Word is Truth** *"For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love."*
 - **This emphasizes God's perfect nature, with His word being truth and His love being all-encompassing. The idea that "the earth is full of His unfailing love" is a powerful reminder of God's omnipresence.**
- 3. Verses 6-9: God as Creator** *"By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth. He gathers the waters of the sea into jars; he puts the deep into storehouses. Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the people of the world revere him."*
 - **These verses celebrate God as the Creator, recalling how He formed the heavens and the earth. It affirms His sovereignty over nature and creation, evoking awe and reverence for God.**
- 4. Verse 10: God's Sovereignty Over Nations** *"The Lord foils the plans of the nations; he thwarts the purposes of the peoples."*
 - **God's control extends beyond the natural world to the affairs of nations. Human plans and ambitions are subject to His will, showing His power over global events and the futility of human self-reliance without God.**

5. **Verses 12-13: Blessed is the Nation Whose God is the Lord** *“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance. From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind.”*
 - This is a reminder of God’s special relationship with Israel. It also conveys that God sees and judges all mankind, reinforcing His justice.
6. **Verses 16-17: Human Power is Insufficient** *“No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength. The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save.”*
 - These verses underline the futility of relying on military might and human strength. It stresses that ultimate victory comes not from human power but from God alone.
7. **Verse 18-19: God’s Care for His People** *“But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.”*
 - These verses highlight God's attentiveness and protection for those who trust in Him, reassuring that He will care for His faithful people in times of trouble.
8. **Verses 20-22: Hope in God's Mercy** *“We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you.”*
 - The psalm ends with a prayer for continued protection and blessing. The psalmist affirms his trust in God’s mercy and unfailing love, urging the people to hope in Him.

Spiritual Influence of Psalm 33:

1. **Praise and Worship:** Psalm 33 emphasizes the importance of heartfelt worship and praise to God, especially through music. It invites believers to celebrate God’s greatness, whether in private or public gatherings, and to do so joyfully and skillfully.
2. **Trust in God’s Sovereignty:** The psalm teaches that God is sovereign over creation, human history, and the nations. It encourages believers to trust in His control over all things, especially in times when human efforts seem futile. This trust is crucial for developing a strong faith in God’s purposes.
3. **Righteousness and Justice:** The psalm highlights that God loves righteousness and justice. It urges believers to align with God’s moral order and to recognize that God’s ways are always just, even when they don’t immediately make sense from a human perspective.
4. **Hope in God's Provision:** Psalm 33 encourages believers to put their hope in God’s provision, protection, and love, particularly in difficult times. The promise that God’s eyes are on those who fear Him assures us that He is actively involved in our lives and will care for us when we rely on Him.
5. **Reverence for God:** The psalm calls all people to revere God for His mighty works in creation and His divine justice. This reverence should lead to a life of humility and submission to His will, acknowledging His authority over all creation.

- 6. God's Love for His People: Finally, Psalm 33 reinforces the idea that God has a special relationship with His people, especially those who hope in His unfailing love. It provides comfort, encouraging believers that God will never abandon those who trust in Him.**

Conclusion:

Psalm 33 is a powerful reminder of God's sovereignty, the futility of human power without Him, and the importance of trusting in God's providence and righteousness. It encourages believers to worship God with joy and reverence, knowing that He is both the Creator and the Protector of His people. It is a call to put hope in God's enduring love and to rely on His justice and mercy in every aspect of life.