



## SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: Psalm 115:1-18 (NAS)

Topic: "Where the Glory Must Reside"

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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!

### **I. NOT TO US**

- A. Repeated For Emphasis
- B. 1<sup>st</sup> Three Commandments Warn Against Taking Glory From God
- C. Our Sinful Bent Is Toward Self Glory
- D. God Requires That We Give Him Glory *Isaiah 42:8, 48:11; Psalm 19:1, 2*
- E. Common Areas Where Man Steals God's Glory
  1. Salvation
  2. Election *Ephesians 2:1-5, 1:3-6*
  3. Spiritual gifts *1 Corinthians 4:7; James 1:17*

### **II. NOT DO ANYTHING TO TARNISH GOD'S NAME vs. 2**

### **III. REASONS WHY WE ARE TO GIVE GOD GLORY**

- A. His Lovingkindness
- B. His Sovereignty *Daniel 4:35; Isaiah 46:9-10*
- C. His Truth—Faithfulness

### **IV. THE FOOLISHNESS OF GIVING GOD'S GLORY TO IDOLS**

- A. Even The Best Of Idols Are Made By Man
- B. They Can Not Speak
- C. They Can Not See
- D. They Can Not Hear
- E. They Can Not Feel

### **V. THE CALL TO BE WORSHIPERS**

- A. To Israel—The Church
- B. To Aaron—Spiritual Leaders In The Church
- C. To Those Who Fear The Lord
- D. A Call To Plead For God's Blessing
- E. We Are Called To Praise God All Our Days