



## **SERMON NOTES**

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Scripture: Psalm 100 (NAS)

Topic: "How Great Is Your God"

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- 1 Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth.
- 2 Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before Him with joyful singing.
- 3 Know that the LORD Himself is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.
- 4 Enter His gates with thanksgiving And His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name.
- 5 For the LORD is good; His lovingkindness is everlasting And His faithfulness to all generations.

### **I. OUR CONFESSION CONCERNING GOD**

- A. Satan Has Defamed God's Character *Genesis 3:5*
- B. As Christians We Defame God With Our Joyless Lives
- C. Conversely We Are Called To Tell Of His Excellencies *1 Peter 2:9*

### **II. OUTLINE OF PSALM 100**

- A. Exhortation verses 1, 2
- B. Explanation verse 3
- C. Exhortation verse 4
- D. Explanation verse 5

### **III. REASONS FOR THE MANDATES GIVEN**

- A. The Lord Is Good
  1. We cannot always understand God's good plan *Romans 8:28, 29*
  2. Seeing His good through our affliction *Psalm 119:67, 71*
- B. Evidences Of God's Goodness

1. Salvation *Exodus 18:9*
2. Provision *Nehemiah 9:25*
3. His Instruction *Psalm 25:8*
4. His Affliction *Genesis 50:20*

### C. God's Faithfulness

## **IV. MANDATES GIVEN IN RESPONSE**

- A. Exuberant Joy To The Lord
- B. Serving With Gladness *Colossians 3:23*
- C. Joyful Singing
  1. Gathering In God's presence With God's people
  2. Recognize His Presence
- D. Submitting To The Lord
  1. He is God
  2. He made us *Psalm 14:1; Psalm 53:1*
  3. He bought us *1 Corinthians 6:19-20*
  4. Submission produces thankfulness
  5. We are His sheep *Psalm 23; John 10*
- E. To Praise The Lord - Come Prepared To Praise
  1. Through prayer
  2. Focus on His Word