

IT'S ALL ABOUT GLORY

Ps 29

Introduction

- Our problems are all to do with glory
- The word means 'weighty', 'substantial', 'lasting'
- Like a rock in the middle of a stream of water
- We had glory but we lost it, and there are consequences
 - Physically, we deteriorate, decay and die
 - Emotionally, we are self-centred
 - Socially, our relationships are messed up
 - Spiritually, God says 'I never knew you'

1 – Glory rightly 'ascribed'

- There are 2 aspects to ascribing glory
- 1st Adoration
 - Wake up to the reality
 - Walk in accord with it
- 2nd Obedience
 - Whose opinion matters more?
 - Which has more glory – God's law or your thinking?

2 – Glory on earth

- The storm comes, v3-9
- If anything else has glory, there'll be a crash, collision, chaos
- The storm represents God's judgement
- It travels the entire length of the land, no one is left out, no one escapes
- It's described as a 'flood' in v10, there's only one flood in the bible
- It was the judgement of God Luke 17:26
- BUT, the same flood *can* bring salvation too, 1 Peter 3:20, for those INSIDE
- The voice of the Lord speaks, pointing us to Jesus, the ultimate ark
- All in the temple cry 'Glory' when they realise they're protected from God's judgement by the sacrifice of Jesus

3 – Glory on earth

- The rightful king is enthroned
- We matter to God
- Our lives matter before God
- But how will we see Jesus as the rightful king enthroned in our lives?
- The Holy Spirit
- He gives STRENGTH to his people
- Ps 3 you are my glory and the lifter of my head...but how?
- God gives PEACE to his people and we see this in 2 aspects
 - Guilt
 - Suffering