

Psalm 66:2

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.

Analysis

The call to 'Sing forth the honour of his name' commands worship that exalts God's character. Making His praise 'glorious' indicates that worship's quality should match its object—God's infinite glory demands excellent praise. This anticipates John 4:24 where true worshipers worship in spirit and truth, showing that God deserves humanity's best.

Historical Context

This corporate call to worship reflects Israel's liturgical practice where a worship leader would call the assembly to praise. The imperative to make praise 'glorious' set standards for temple worship requiring musical excellence and theological depth.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. What does making praise 'glorious' require in terms of worship's preparation and execution?
2. How should God's infinite glory shape the quality of your worship?

Interlinear Text

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Sing forth glorious of his name make glorious his praise
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Additional Cross-References

Revelation 5:13 (Glory): And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

Isaiah 49:13 (Sin): Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.

Isaiah 42:12 (Glory): Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare his praise in the islands.

Psalms 107:22 (Parallel theme): And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing.

Nehemiah 9:5 (Glory): Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, said, Stand up and bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

Psalms 107:15 (Resurrection): Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

Psalms 79:9 (Glory): Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake.

Psalms 72:18 (Parallel theme): Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.

Psalms 106:2 (Resurrection): Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? who can shew forth all his praise?

Isaiah 6:3 (Glory): And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

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