

Songs  
of the  
Son



Advent in the Psalms

# Psalm 8

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**<sup>1</sup> O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

**You have set your glory above the heavens.**

**<sup>2</sup> Out of the mouth of babies and infants,**

**you have established strength because of your foes,**

**to still the enemy and the avenger.**

**<sup>3</sup> When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,**

**the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,**



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**4 what is man that you are mindful of him,  
and the son of man that you care for him?**

**5 Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly  
beings and crowned him with glory and honor.**

**6 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under his feet,**



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<sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,  
<sup>8</sup> the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.  
<sup>9</sup> O Lord, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!



# Outline

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1. **The majesty of God**
2. **The dignity of humanity**
3. **The mystery of redemption**



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**Psalm 8:1-3, 9**



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**Psalm 8:4-8**



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- **Apply to your treatment of other people**



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Hebrews 2:6-9



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<sup>6</sup> It has been testified somewhere, “What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? <sup>7</sup> You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, <sup>8</sup> putting everything in subjection under his feet.” Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him.



## Hebrews 2:9-10

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<sup>9</sup> But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. <sup>10</sup> For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering



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