

Poems, Prayers & Promises



What is Man?

Key idea:

Man is made to glorify his maker. Man glorifies his maker by placing his mind on God and devoting his life to making disciples of Jesus Christ.

Key text:

Psalm 8 (NLT)

Psa. 8:1 O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!

Your glory is higher than the heavens.

² You have taught children and infants
to tell of your strength,
silencing your enemies
and all who oppose you.

Psa. 8:3 When I look at the night sky and see the work of your fingers—
the moon and the stars you set in place—

⁴ what are mere mortals that you should think about them,
human beings that you should care for them?

⁵ Yet you made them only a little lower than God
and crowned them with glory and honor.

⁶ You gave them charge of everything you made,
putting all things under their authority—

⁷ the flocks and the herds
and all the wild animals,

⁸ the birds in the sky, the fish in the sea,
and everything that swims the ocean currents.

Psa. 8:9 O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!

Key points:

1. To glorify God we must first set our mind on God.
2. To glorify God we must be devoted to the cultural mandate which is fulfilled by making disciples of Jesus Christ (Matt. 28:18-20).

Questions for discussion/application:

1. What part of Sunday's teaching stood out most to you? Why?
2. In which ways
3. Read Romans 1:18-23. What does this tell us about mankind? How can we witness to people who "suppress the truth of God?"
4. Read Romans 8:1-13. What is the benefits of setting your mind on the Spirit? How can you set your mind on the things of the Spirit?
5. Read Genesis 1:26-31 & Mathew 28:18-20. How does the mission in Matthew focus the mandate in Genesis?
6. If a coworker or friend asked you, "what is man" how would you respond?
7. What are some practical ways you can add time with God into your calendar?
8. Who will I call or see to encourage this week? Who can I encourage to worship this King this coming Sunday?