

Series: Psalms

Title: Christ: Creator, Head, King!

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Psalm 24: 1: « **A Psalm of David.** » This Psalm was written by David. David was the king of Israel. But in this psalm David declares the true King, Christ Jesus, the Son of God.

Proposition: The Son of God is Christ the Creator, Christ the Head, and Christ the King.

CHRIST OUR CREATOR

Psalm 24: 1: The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. 2: For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

The earth is the LORD'S, and the fullness thereof. The earth is not mine and it is not yours. We buy and sell and claim we own property and real estate and things in the earth—but in truth—God is the sovereign owner of the universe and all things in it, great and small.

Deuteronomy 10:14: Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the LORD'S thy God, the earth also, with all that therein is.

Imagine how foolish for us to offer God something out of this earth in attempt to make God accept us—everything is his in the first place. He said,

Psalm 50: 9: I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds. 10: For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. 11: I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine. 12: If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof. 13: Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats? 14: Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High: 15: And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

The reason all things are his is because he created all things—**Psalm 24: 2: For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.**

He founded it; he established it. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." (Gen 1: 1) Now, remember the point—this God, this Creator, this Owner of all—is Christ the Son of God.

Colosians 1: 15: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: 16: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: 17: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

He created water—after thousands of years—he has never made any new water. The rivers constantly flow to the ocean. The waters are constantly evaporating into the atmosphere. The waters are continually falling as rain or snow. God has never created new water. Yet, by Christ our Creator all things consist! Christ upholds all things by the word of his power.

The Lordship of Christ over all men is rightfully his by creation, by God's decree (Jn 3: 35), by the purchase Christ himself made of his people (Rom 14: 9), by Christ's sovereign rule (Mt 28: 18) and Christ is the heir of all things by God's appointment. (Heb 1: 2)

What does that mean all men ought to do?

Revelation 4: 11: Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

When we thank God for our food we are thanking him for allowing us to eat that which belongs to him. This world is not ours—it was created BY Christ, FOR CHRIST! And every sinner is serving his purpose whether they hate him or bow to him.

Matthew 20: 15: Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good?

Psalm 2:12: Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

And this heaven and this earth—this life—was not created to last forever! He founded the earth upon the seas, established it upon the rivers. The sea and rivers divide. Spiritually, the sea and rivers typify sin and separation from God. The seas covered the earth till the Word said let there be dry land. In Noah's day, the seas covered the earth in God's judgment which the ark bore so that Noah lived. Spiritually, this earth was founded upon Christ's covenant promise to use this earth to manifest God's glory in putting away the sins of his people. It was founded to manifest his Power and Wisdom to create his people anew in spirit and in truth. It was founded upon the ordination that sin would enter and defile but Christ would create a new heavens and new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness, immovably founded on Christ the Rock.

CHRIST OUR HEAD

Psalm 24: 3: Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?

Who shall ascend into the heavens, to the throne of God, to the presence of God's glory and Majesty? *Who shall stand, stand, in his holy place?*

Psalm 24: 4: He that hath clean hands. He whose hands have never sinned, never transgressed God's righteous law. Christ is the only one!

Psalm 24: 4...and a pure heart; He who has never had a thought contrary to God's Holiness, contrary to God's will. Christ is the only one!

Psalm 24: 4: who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He who has always been humble under God's might hand, in perfect love for God, in perfect reverence to God as the Lord his God. His soul has never been lifted up in covetousness, pride, or lust in any way. He never spoke deceitfully but has always honored his word, kept his word, without fail. He is perfect truth. Christ is the only one!

This is the man who will ascend and dwell in God's holy presence—**Psalm 24: 5: He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.**

This is not any of us in our natural born condition.

Isaiah 1: 5: Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. 6: From the sole of the foot even unto the head *there is* no soundness in it; *but* wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment. 7: Your country *is* desolate, your cities *are* burned with fire: your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and *it is* desolate, as overthrown by strangers.

Isaiah 64:6 But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Yet, there is one! Christ who created this earth, descended into this earth as the representative head of all God's chosen generation.

Psalm 24: 4: He hath clean hands. Our Redeemer was made under the law but he knew no sin. He never sinned, never transgressed God's righteous law.

Psalm 24: 4...and a pure heart; Christ was formed in the womb holy, he never had a thought contrary to God's Holiness or God's will.

Psalm 24: 4: who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. Christ is equal with God, but made himself of no reputation. He humbled himself under God's mighty hand. He made himself least in the kingdom of God. He served God and his people in perfect love. He was always full of perfect reverence to God as the Lord his God. His soul was never lifted up except to praise and glory in God his Father! He is the Truth so he never spoke deceitfully but honored his word even when it meant keeping his covenant to bear all these sins of his people, to bear our curse and our death.

Therefore, Christ finished the work of redeeming his people and declaring God just. He dried up the sea of sin, the sea of judgment, and the sea of death for his people. So Christ is HE who shall ascend into God's holy hill and dwell in God's holy presence. But because he is the representative head of God's elect all God's elect shall ascend and dwell together with God in him.

John 3: 13: And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

This is HE who shall receive the blessing from the LORD be declared "**righteousness from the God of his salvation.**" (Ps 24: 5) Christ said,

Isaiah 50: 7:...I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. 8: He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me?

- John 17: 1-5
- Psalm 21: 1-7

In John 17, Christ asked that his people be with him where he is. And because everything Christ did he did for his seed, for God's elect, all this is true of them. His people are his "generation." They shall seek him and see his face and be made the righteousness of God in him by the grace of God—**Psalm 24: 6: This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O, God, of Jacob. Selah.**

"This is the generation"—the word "generation" means his seed, his children, the "re-generation."

1 Peter 2: 9: But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

You see, there was a people in Christ. He represented them in his obedience. His perfect hands, pure heart and perfect faithfulness must be imputed to them. He perfected obedience for them as he bore away their sins to that land not inhabited.

So in time God causes each of them to live and to seek Christ—**Psalm 24: 6: This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O, God, of Jacob. Selah.**

When he reveals himself to us, he makes us willing to believe on him, the question was--**Psalm 24: 3: Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?**

Isaiah 57: 13:...but he that putteth his trust in me...shall inherit my holy mountain.

Psalm 24: 5: He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. 6: This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O, God, of Jacob. Selah.—This generation who seeks Christ and believes on Christ are made to be as Christ is. All the blessings and righteousness of Christ our Head are the blessings and righteousness of Christ's body. His body—each individual child born of God—is clean, and pure, and righteous, even as He is. His blood cleanses us forever. His righteousness is reckoned as our very own. His indwelling Spirit wholly sanctifies our inner man.

Therefore by grace, through faith, in Christ, we shall ascend the holy hill.

Psalm 65:4: Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

CHRIST OUR KING

Psalm 24: 7: Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. 8: Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty,...

The same “**LORD strong and mighty**” who created the earth and the fullness thereof is “**the LORD mighty in battle.**” Christ came into this earth and defeated all the enemies of his chosen generation like he promised the Father he would. Now he charges his preachers to do this:

Isaiah 40:2: Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.

Romans 8: 37:...we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

Psalm 24: 9: Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. 10: Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts,...

“**The LORD of hosts**” means he is Lord over a host of people which no man can number. Each one entered the holy hill in him when he ascended and sat down. Therefore, Christ shall lose none but shall raise them all up with him in the last day.

Psalm 24: 10:..he is the King of glory. Selah.—He is the King of all glory. He is the King of the glory by being Creator over all. He is the King of the glory by being the Head of his people, the only Righteousness and Holiness of his people. He is the King of the glory by “receiving the blessing from the LORD, and honor from God of his Father.” He is the King of the glory over “the generation” of them that seek him. He is the King of glory over all kings and all lords that ever existed, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

Now, may God lift up your head and make you behold his glory in the face of Christ who is the Creator, Head, and King of his holy generation.

Amen!