

PRAYING PSALM 29

“Give unto the Lord the glory due His name...” (Psalm 29:1).

The theme of this psalm is the sovereignty of God. 1. THE LORD IS SOVEREIGN OVER HEAVEN (1-2). The mighty ones are angels, sometimes called the sons of God (Elohim). 2. THE LORD IS SOVEREIGN OVER EARTH (3-9). The Lord is directly named 18 times, and is mentioned 25 times by pronouns. 3. THE LORD IS SOVEREIGN OVER HUMANITY (10-11). The Lord was on the throne during the world-wide flood of Noah’s time. The Lord sits as King forever. The Lord will give strength to His people.

To say that God is sovereign is to say He is supreme. That means God is superior to all gods, all forces, all enemies. It means nothing can happen without God’s approval. Evil is present in this world, because God allows men to oppose Him and his laws. “Why” is up to Him. There are two kinds of evil – moral and non-moral. Moral evil is a problem in the human race because of the fall. God allows it, because he allows fallen men to live. Thus, God allows the wills of men to perpetrate evil. Moral evil will be here until eternity. Non-moral evil is aesthetic badness. It includes natural disasters and world-wide calamities. Some things we can have no peace about, unless we trust God’s wisdom and sovereignty. When you pray, don’t be afraid to leave unexplained evil in the hands of your sovereign God. What is not rectified in time will be removed in eternity. The best any of us can do is give God the glory, because He is in sovereign control.