The Majesty and Strength of Worship *Psalm 8:1-9*

Notice in the middle of this worshipful and majestic psalm, the strangest, but most poignant question. "What is man?" Who are we? Meditate with me on this question. Let me ask it in five different ways. Let's open our hearts for God to teach us more and more about worshipping Him.

1. WHAT IS MAN TO BE GIVEN GOD'S MARVELOUS CREATION TO ENJOY AS WE WORSHIP HIM?

Notice in verse 1 – "You have set your glory above the heavens." The majesty of God's shimmering reflection in creation is this glory above the heavens.

2. WHAT IS MAN TO BE GIVEN GOD'S MINDFUL THOUGHTS ABOUT OUR DIGNITY IN HIS SIGHT AS WE WORSHIP HIM?

David cries out in verse 4, "What is man that You are mindful of him?" What is this dignity of man that God is always thinking of us?

3. WHAT IS MAN TO BE GIVEN GOD'S MIGHTY STRENGTH TO TRIUMPH OVER THE ENEMY THROUGH OUR WORSHIP?

Verse 2, "Out of the mouth of babies and infants, You have established strength because of Your foes, to still the enemy and

the avenger."

4. WHAT IS MAN TO BE GIVEN GOD'S MAJESTIC NAME IN ALL THE EARTH TO LIFT IN WORSHIP?

Twice in verse 1 and 9, David says, "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your Name <u>in all the earth</u>!"

5. WHAT IS MAN TO BE GIVEN A VISIT BY THE SON OF MAN, THE GREATEST VISIT THAT DRIVES ALL OUR WORSHIP?

Verse 4 reads, "What is man that you are mindful of him and the son of man, that you care for him? (ESV) "What is man, that Thou are mindful of him? And the son of man, that <u>Thou visitest him</u>?" (KJV)