

## Easter Meditation (pt 1)

*"The Reign of the Son of Man"*

Psalm 8:1-9

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- 1 O Yahweh, our Lord,  
How majestic is Your name in all the earth,  
Who have displayed Your splendor above the heavens!
- 2 From the mouth of infants and nursing babes You have  
established strength  
Because of Your adversaries,  
To make the enemy and the revengeful cease.
- 3 When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,  
The moon and the stars, which You have ordained;
- 4 What is man that You take thought of him,  
And the son of man that You care for him?

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- 5 Yet You have made him a little lower than God,  
And You crown him with glory and majesty!
- 6 You make him to rule over the works of Your hands;  
You have put all things under his feet,
- 7 All sheep and oxen,  
And also the beasts of the field,
- 8 The birds of the heavens and the fish of the sea,  
Whatever passes through the paths of the seas.
- 9 O Yahweh, our Lord,  
How majestic is Your name in all the earth!

## God's Creation Purpose

Psalm 8:1-9

1. The display of God's majestic name
  - this is God's ultimate purpose in creation
  - the created order (the heavens and the earth) displays God's splendor

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### 2. Unexpected Means: *Infants*

- God silences His enemies through the praise of small children
- *Principle* – God's majesty is seen in His triumphs over His foes through the weak

Specific Fulfillment – Jesus' triumphal entry  
(Matthew 21:16)

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- A. Man's seeming insignificance ("*what is man?*")
- B. Man's unique place in creation
  - Man alone is created in the image of God
  - God makes man to rule over all creation

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### Problem

- Adam, as our representative head, rebelled against God and did not subdue evil
  - Man fell under God's judgment and is subjected to death
  - Creation was subjected to futility and is now in opposition to man (not subjected to man)

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### Good News

- God did not abandon His creation purpose, but brings it to fulfillment in the last Adam, the man Christ Jesus