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OUR AWESOME GOD

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Psalm 66 is a general call to worship God. The text does not clearly mention its author, though some scholars attribute this psalm to David, the text itself does not in any way confirm this assumption. The most noticeable feature of this psalm is the way it moves from universal to personal. The revelation of God's work requires a response, and this can be nothing less than joyful submission to and worship of His Lordship. There are three (3) categories to whom the call to worship is addressed: 1) it is addressed to all the earth (vv.1- 4) - universal; 2) it is addressed to a nation (vv.5-12) - national; and 3) it is addressed to a person (vv.13-15) - personal.

The idea that all creatures (including man) should worship God is predominant in Scripture: "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created" (Revelation 4:11), and "For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him (Colossians 1:16). God created all things, including man, to worship Him. Though sin disrupts this natural condition, God took the initiative to re-establish that natural condition by sending His own Son to redeem mankind and bring him back to his supreme purpose, which is to worship and glorify God.

There are three (3) critical reasons why all the earth should worship

God: 1) because of His awesome power (v.3 & 7); 2) because of His awesome redemption (v.5a); and 3) because of His awesome plan (v.9). And there are three (3) appropriate responses to God's awesome power. First, invite the world to see (v.5). The world should not only hear of God's greatness, but they also need to see His awesome greatness in and through His people (Matthew 5:16). The greatest masterpiece of God is not nature, the universe, or galaxies - His greatest creation is us, the redeemed. The world should clearly see the distinction, that we are His. Second, invite the world to hear (v.16). The Bible says, "How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And third, invite the world to Praise (vv.1-4). The worship of God should not be exclusive, but rather inclusive. While we enjoy God's redemption, our eyes should see the need to share the message with the world, that they, too, may experience His awesome grace and presence.

The greatest message is the gospel, and the greatest messenger is the redeemed. We are the delivery system, the world sits in darkness and asks for the light, endlessly searching for answers that only the redeemed can provide. May this sermon compel us to appreciate who God is, be thankful for what He has done, and be bold in proclaiming His gospel. ✠

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **EDIFYING MINISTRY**
Men's Crossroad Weekend: Press Forward
August 19-21, 2023
CCT, Tagaytay
- **NEXTGEN MINISTRY**
Night of Worship
August 26, 2023
4:00 - 6:00 pm
Youth Center
- **JOIN A GROWTH GROUP**
If you still aren't part of a growth group, we highly encourage you to join one. You can get in touch with us through the GCF South Metro FB Page, GCF South Metro YouTube or email us at email@gcfsouthmetro.org
- **FLOWER SPONSORS**
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