

*Thought for Today: December 19, 2007*

**Psalm 93 (NASB)**

**The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty;  
The LORD has clothed and girded Himself with strength;  
Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved.  
Your throne is established from of old;  
You are from everlasting.**

**The floods have lifted up, O LORD,  
The floods have lifted up their voice,  
The floods lift up their pounding waves.  
More than the sounds of many waters,  
Than the mighty breakers of the sea,  
The LORD on high is mighty.  
Your testimonies are fully confirmed;  
Holiness befits Your house,  
O LORD, forevermore.**

God is, always has been, and always will be enthroned in power, majesty, and holiness.

We're likely to read the previous sentence and maybe the entire 93<sup>rd</sup> psalm and move on with a shrug of the shoulders while thinking, "Sure, I knew that already." But we should be more thoughtful about what that means for our daily lives.

The psalmist reassures us that God's reign is mightier than anything we experience here on the earth, and he reminds us that it is God's power and holiness that keep the world intact. If the psalmist is right, and I certainly believe that he is, then we need to think again about the themes of this short psalm.

We live our lives each day in the presence of a God who is enthroned above the heavens. He is majestic and strong. He is trustworthy and holy. Can we live for Him without an awareness of who He is and what He's like? Not really. But simply knowing something about God doesn't ensure that we'll live like we truly believe it. Our lives would bring Him more glory, and we would be living in greater harmony with His mission if we would contemplate His majestic greatness a little more often. Our God is our father and friend. He's our shepherd and our defender. But He is, always has been, and always will be a great King who reigns in holiness.

As we approach the end of 2007 and think about what may come to pass in the year ahead, let's remember these simple truths about God. And let's live like we believe it!

Serving together,  
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