



# Before the THRONE

## The Devotional

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Psalm 99:1 – 3

“The LORD reigns; let the people tremble... the LORD is great in Zion, and He is high above the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awe inspiring name; for it is holy.”  
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Popular culture would either lower Christ to man’s level or raise man to God’s level. How dangerous this is – especially in light of eternity. While Jesus became man, we must never forget that He has forever been and always will be the Lord of Glory! While His death and resurrection has opened the way for man to be born again in His image – meaning that believers are now possessors of His nature and His likeness – we must always remember that we will forever be the created not the Creator.

Lest we allow a certain familiarity with the Lord to creep into our lives let us remember that He is the Sovereign LORD Who reigns – that means – He does what He wants, when He wants, how He wants, and He need not ask our permission!<sup>1</sup> He is great and exalted among the people – Yes, He is high above the peoples, and our response is one of holy fear and trembling. It is our honour to offer Him our praise!

As the child of God, we are offered the privileged right of coming to His throne of grace with boldness – but never with familiarity. Our approach is in reverence and with a circumspect heart. To stand before Him is to stand in holiness – holiness imparted by His work at Calvary and by His Spirit’s inner workings that has set us aright, but our approach to Him must also be in a holiness that has been worked out and into our daily living.

“The Lord reigns! Lord, we at once tremble and rejoice, fear and delight, boldly ask and humbly yield to You and Your ways. In Jesus’ Name!”

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