

# Before the THRONE

## The Devotional

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Psalm 115:1

“Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto Your name give glory, for Your mercy and for Your truth’s sake.” Psalm 115:1

We are a self-centered bunch, aren’t we? Adam’s fall shifted man’s rightful focus from the true Center of the Universe – the LORD God – to himself. Subsequently, every child of Adam has been off genuine focus and fixated upon themselves. We view all of life as revolving around us!

My wants!

My needs!

My desires!

Me...

Myself... and

I...

This declaration of the Scriptures differs greatly from our thinking – it disturbs our agendas and disrupts our plans! “Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us.” What!?! Someone else is the Center? Another Person has a dream? Unlike a doting parent that is too weak and too undisciplined themselves to properly discipline and train their spoiled child, the Heavenly Father knows that the life of self-centeredness leads ultimately to depression and waste, whereas the life lived for others is a life that edifies and satisfies personally as well as is healthy for whole communities – secular and religious alike! “The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that waters shall be watered also himself.” (Proverb 11:25)

“Lord Jesus, I want my life to be lived for You and I desire that others may eat of the fruit of Your Spirit within my life, thus glorifying You in all I do!”

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