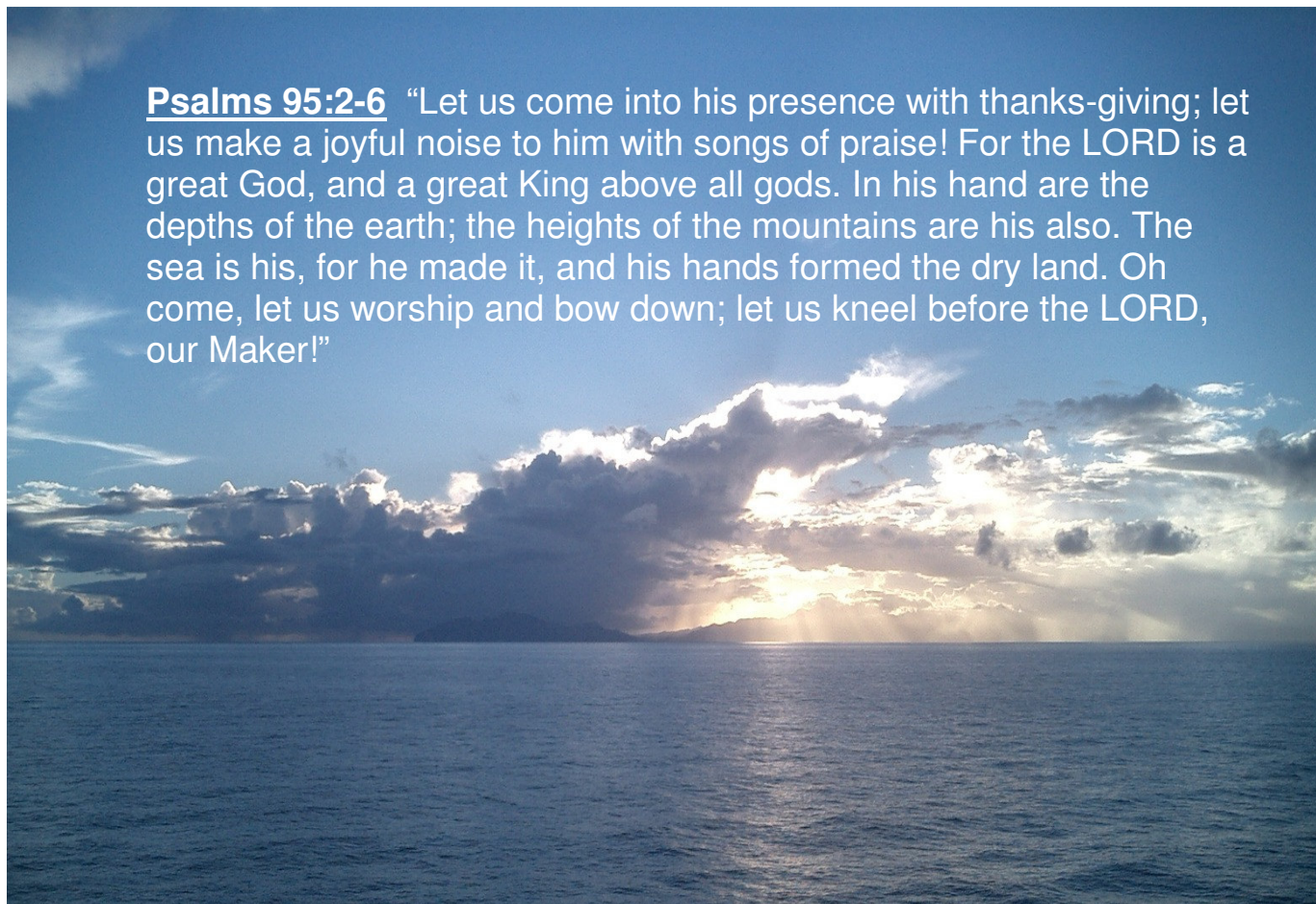
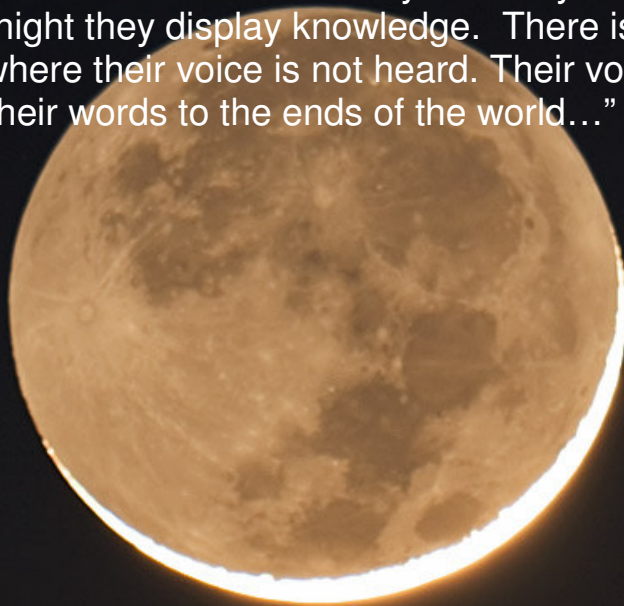


Sermon Quotes
March 4th, 2007
Living In The Good Of The Gospel
Gospel Implications- God As Father

Psalms 95:2-6 “Let us come into his presence with thanks-giving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!”



Psalm 19:1-4 “The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world...”



Psalms 8:1, 3-4 “O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! **You have set your glory above the heavens...**When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?”

Romans 1:19-20 “For what can be known about God is plain to them, **because God has shown it to them.** For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, **ever since the creation of the world**, in the **things that have been made...**”

The Gospel connects the Almightyness of God with the Fatherhood of God for those who believe in Jesus.

John 1:10-13 “He (speaking of Jesus) was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. (11) He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. (12) But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, **he gave the right to become children of God**, (13) who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.”

Earthly Fathers –

1. The Distant or Passive Father
2. The Authoritarian Father
3. The Abusive Father
4. The Absent Father
5. The Good but Still Flawed Father

Hebrews 12:9-10 “Besides this, we have had **earthly fathers** who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the **Father of spirits** and live? For they disciplined us for a short time **as it seemed best to them**, but he disciplines us **for our good**, that we may share his holiness.”

Matthew 7:11 “If you then, who are evil (speaking of earthly fathers), know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more** will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!”

“Just think of it! The one, true God who beckons you with the promise of perfect love is none other than your Father. You need not fear an abusive grasp or a stiff-armed rejection. He longs to embrace you, to relieve your fears, to soothe the wounds inflicted by those who exploited your weakness. There is joy unspeakable in this truth.”
—Dr. Sam Storms

“It is a sweet compound of faith that knows God to be my Father, a love that loves Him as my Father, a joy that rejoices in Him as my Father, a fear that trembles to disobey Him because He is my Father, and a confident affection and trust that relies upon Him and casts itself wholly upon Him, because it knows by the infallible witness of the Holy Spirit, that Jehovah, the God of Heaven and Earth, is the Father of my heart...Except for Heaven itself, there is nothing more blissful than to enjoy that spirit of adoption. When the wind of trouble is blowing and waves of adversity are rising up, and the ship seems headed for the rocks—how sweet then to say, ‘My Father’—and to believe that His strong hand is at the helm.”

—Charles Spurgeon

“Now beloved, there be many who think that God the Father is at best an indifferent spectator of salvation. They look upon Him as an unloving, severe Being, who had no love for the human race, and could only be made loving by the death and agonies of his Son. Now, this is a foul libel upon the glorious grace of the Father, for Jesus did not die to make the Father loving, but because God was loving.”

—Charles Spurgeon