

Title: The Most High God

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Thank you, Jesus. So glad you all are here. Thank you, Father. We are going to encourage one another in His words. We hear Him. We fear Him. We obey Him. We hear Him, we fear Him, and we obey Him. His yoke is easy. His burden is light. Yet, we are called and chosen to follow Him and count the cost. Yes, it is costly. It is called, "Take up your cross daily and follow Him." We surrender all for Him, yes. Today, we are going to talk about the Most High God, who is possessor of Heaven and Earth. Before I get into this word, I want to encourage everybody that we know we are in a beautiful season now of Passover, the Feasts, Easter and celebrating the resurrection of our Lord. All of that is entailed in these beautiful holy days and feasts.

As a Christian and a believer in Jesus, you have every day that you breathe to give Him high praise and worship Him for who He is, from the beginning to the end, in this Bible. You don't have to wait till Christmas to celebrate His birth. You don't have to wait till the season of spring and Easter to celebrate His resurrection. You don't have to wait for Pentecost before you are filled and baptized in the Holy Ghost and fire. You don't have to wait for the times and seasons that occur in our lives that are biblical. Even those that are coming. Wow. How glorious. But, today, while it is called today, we are called to give Him high praise, worship Him and love Him. You say, "Why am I weeping and crying right now over Christ when He was in the wilderness for forty days and forty nights?" You are in remembrance of Him and what He did during that time. The Spirit of the Lord will take you into these places in the Scripture and take you into these moments of the journey of Christ, from the very beginning to the very end.

We have not even witnessed yet, all the glory that is laid out for those. Yet, there are times when you are caught up into those moments. You find yourself worshipping God, praising the Lord for what He did, for how He overcame, and for how He was brave, courageous and obedient. Yes, and how He took authority over the works of darkness and destroyed them. Everything that He has done is yes and amen. Don't limit yourself in praising and worshipping Him, because you have to wait for that holiday. You know, we honor our veterans in USA every day, not just on "Veterans' Day." Do you understand? We remember, not just on Memorial Day. Yes, we remember. One of the Lord's names is "He remembers."

It is covenant that we hear, that we see, and that we fellowship with God. Be loosed and be free from any restrictions. Don't get caught up in any religion. But, lay hold of what has been laid hold of for us in high praise. This morning He wants to encourage us in this. Say, "The Most High God, possessor of Heaven and Earth." Thank you, Lord.

Psalm 34:1-3 NKJV

There it is. When we gather in Jesus' mighty name, this is it. We come together as one in Christ, to worship God, to praise God, and to host His presence, because He is with us. He is always with us. He loves us. He adores us. Yet, we have these commandments written from the Old Testament and Psalms, "I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise will always be in my mouth." That means it is something that you are going to speak, sing, shout, and proclaim. He could have just said in my heart, but "out of the heart, the mouth will speak." So, someone is in alignment there. If it is coming out of the mouth continually, it is in the heart to do. Sometimes, you just well up and bubble up with high praise in your spirit. Then you think, "This is not appropriate right now." But, let Him come forth, because you just cannot help but praise the Lord. Yes, "My soul shall make its boast in the Lord. The humble shall hear of it and be glad. Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together." Amen.

God is talking about high praise and high power. They go together, high praise and high power. The Most High God, possessor of Heaven and Earth. He is asking for our high praise, and He gives high power. Yes, He is the Most High God, hallelujah! Sometimes our flesh says, "Oh Lord, how can I praise you? What kind of praise do you want from me today? How can I? What would you need? Lord, how can I praise you?" Sometimes it is a difficult journey. You say, "How can I praise you?" Yes, because that is what life looks like. "How can I praise you?" I put here, as the Spirit said, "Note, this really means, oh Lord, how can I trust you?" It is all about that trust. "Oh Lord, how can I praise you?" Sometimes it is, "Oh Lord, how can I trust you?" That is why it is good to tell Him. I tell Him every day, "I trust you, Lord." You don't even have to be specific. But when it is time to be specific, be specific with everything. Every care, every need, every journey, every praise, and every worry, yes, "I trust you, Father. I trust you, Jesus. I trust you, Holy Spirit." That gives Him such high praise, yes.

It comforts God. It comforts mothers, fathers, grandmas, grandpas, great grandmas, and great grandpas when the children, in the House of Lord and in the house of children, trust them. Families are made for trust. Families are supposed to be households of trust. Well, how much more the House of God? It should be a House of Trust. So, we could put up a banner that says, "We trust in God." Yes, therefore, we give Him our high praise. Yes. He is the Most High God, possessor of Heaven and Earth. He says, "I am the Lord on high. I am the Most High." We know this. I found it interesting that in Scripture, the first time this is mentioned, "the Most High God," was used when Melchizedek, King of Salem, blessed Abram. That is something else.

Genesis 14:18-20 KJV

"And Melchizedek, King of Salem, brought forth bread and wine: and He was the priest of the Most High God. And He blessed him, and He said, "Blessed be Abram of the Most High God, possessor of Heaven and Earth: and blessed be the Most High God which has delivered thine enemies into thine hand. He gave Him tithes of all."

There is a whole teaching in this, but what I want you to hear is how this began in Scripture, in covenant. Yes, in covenant and where it started there. Then it went throughout the Earth to restore, bring forth and continue in the journey of love where God manifests Himself and makes His name known. From the very beginning with Adam and Eve, He was the Most High God, possessor of Heaven and Earth. Yes. Amen.

But, there is a time in the journey when humans encounter the Great High Priest and humans encounter the One they are in covenant with. Humans and Christians and families lay hold of the blessing of the Lord. All of a sudden they say, "I trust you." Because, you are laying hold of what has been laid hold of for you in covenant, and how much more in Christ, amen. So, we are going to take a little journey in this. Hallelujah, He is the Most High God.

Daniel 3:4-30 NKJV

Isn't that amazing? This is one of our favorite testimonies in Scripture. Note what God is pointing out in high praise, the Most High God. He has the highest power. In the midst of this amazing stand for righteousness and for God. Many have given their lives for God over history. Many have given their lives for God. But, at this divine moment, by God's divine choosing, He shows up and turns the hearts, correct? Note: "The Most High God."

Psalms 78:34-40 NKJV

This is what I call a testimony of all of Israel, and just humans on the Earth. Okay, lots of unbelief, grumbling, griping, complaining, and ups and downs. But, God is working with them. Judgment, discipline, correction, ups and downs, victories, doubt, unbelief, back into the same path of sin. Disassociating and coming against God and blaming Him for everything. Sounds

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like humans, right? Sounds like sometimes the ways of the Church. Okay? So, God looks into these hearts. What He is calling us to in this season right now, this is our lifestyle, but right now, He wants us to really worship Him. Call Him the Most High God. The Most High God in that high praise. That is the highest you can do to proclaim Him for who He is, amen. In this hour, you see the journey, who He is, how He saves, and how He heals.

Verse 36, “Nevertheless they flattered Him with their mouth,” say hypocrisy. Last week, the Lord made very clear, “There is no hypocrisy in the House of the Lord.” Okay, Jesus came very hard against hypocrisy, because the Lord wants all of us. He doesn't want lip service, right? He doesn't want just Sunday service. He wants our lives. He wants our whole heart. It is about a pure love relationship, 100% God, yes. “They remembered that God was their rock.” Okay? “They remembered that God was their rock, the Most High God their Redeemer.” But, “then they flattered Him with their mouth. They lied to Him with their tongue.” They are speaking words that obviously were not showing trust. “Their heart was not steadfast with Him,” right? You hear that? That is the story of it all. It is so important that we give God the highest praise.

Now, some people are little timid when we are training and teaching and helping, and trying to help people learn how to worship and praise God. You say, “**Praise God, shout unto the Lord!**” They say, “hallelujah,” right? You know the timidity that everybody has been through once. The first time I spoke up and said, “Amen,” in a church, it was like...ssh you don't do that here. Okay? It is a truth. You know, the first time when you could not keep silent anymore, when you had to open your mouth and your heart in praise to Him out loud, not just in worship, not just on Sunday mornings, but as you go.

You just had to praise Him with your heart and your mouth. You know what I mean? You can dance in your bedroom, in your living room, in the hall, in the church building, or in your office cubicle. Wherever you may find, but somewhere in there, this is a journey of love. Religion has tried to silence, muffle and shut the mouth of His saints. Religion has done a number, in more than one way, to come against the high praise due to God. We are not talking about being “out of order,” which is often used. High praise to God. High praise. He is the Most High God.

In this season, we are called to really go there and let it come out of your mouth. Call Him by His name, the Most High God. Praise Him. Praise Him. Praise Him. We have all these psalms where you praise Him, praise Him. Praise Him. We will dance, we will sing, we will rejoice. We will wave a flag. We will wave a banner. We will get on our face. We will be prostrate, but it is all about giving Him the highest praise, correct?

I am reading these scriptures in the order in which they show up where the term the “Most High God,” was used. Hear what the Spirit of the Lord is saying.

Mark 5:1-20 NKJV

What a testimony! Satan, all of his hordes of hell, from the highest ranking fallen angel to the lowest dumb demon boot, all know Who is the Lord, Most High God. Yes? They all know that God is the Most High God. In this day, in this situation, the dumb demons in this man, which are legion, maybe a thousand were in there, total possession. What do they have to say about Jesus? “We know who you are. What do we have to do with you right now? Is it our time Jesus, Son of the Most High God?” There it is, right there. That is the authority Jesus walked in. We know that Jesus is God. Yes, here it is laid out. “I implore you, don't torment us.” These demons are begging the Christ not to torment them. Right?

Put this in perspective. How much more should not the House of the Lord recognize and honor the God given authority in the Christ, Son of the Most High God? How much more should every saint, a minister, not recognize and observe that when we go to heal the sick and cast

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out demons and bring deliverance and healing to souls and saints. That they know who you are, children, sons and daughters, saints of the Most High God. Yes, they know it. Oh yes, they know it. They fear and they tremble. Truth, you hear the authority. All praise and glory and honor goes to God. Highest praise 24/7 and even in your lowest point, when you are simply speaking by faith. "I trust you, God." He knows exactly who you are addressing as the Most High God, yes.

Luke 8:26

Acts 16:16-18

This the living breathing testimony. Now we are talking about Paul. He is in his journeys going place to place, preaching the gospel, ministering to the church, raising up believers. As he goes, there is a demon possessed woman, a slave girl, who is used by the dumb demon spirit of divination in her, for profit by her masters. *She* has to interrupt his journey and call out, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim the way of salvation." Well, at least they know what's going on, right?

But, you have to get back into that place of authority. You have to understand what God is encouraging the saints in right now, the "Most High God." You have been seated with God, in Christ, in heavenly places. His name has all authority in Heaven and Earth, and yet the demons know. Who are you? "Jesus, Son of the Most High God," that is the lineage, that is the authority, that is the Church, the Church of the Most High God. You hear it? No matter whether you see it or not. You have no idea what the movie looks like at the end of your day. You are just walking along the way and somebody is crying out, "Oh, there is that servant, Nancy, a servant of the Most High God." Yes, they know, trust me. Say, "I am strengthened Lord, and I will praise you. I will give you the highest praise all the time." That's it, just as you are driving along the way.

Psalm 57:1-11 NKJV

When we the Church, individual saints, and families acknowledge Him as the Most High God, and give Him our highest praise and worship and love, His name is exalted. Raised even so high that as sons of men are walking along the way, they walk into that cloud. They walk down that street where the the Saint of the Most High God was praising Him and loving Him. They walk in that cloud that you have left behind, and all of a sudden they look up. Something happens, even before anyone comes to say, "Is Jesus Christ, your Lord and Savior," right? It is called the, "glory presence."

It is called the glory presence of Almighty God from the beginning to the end. His glory presence. We know in the end of Revelations, it is written in Heaven, that "they have been giving Him high praise forever." Yes, angels of the highest rank in order, in beauty and majesty, and as the saints go in, the praise grows stronger. As the saints go in, the praise grow stronger. The praise grows stronger. As the saints go home and the saints go home, it is greater and greater and greater. The heavens are not supposed to outdo the praise of the Living Church on the Earth. Heaven should not out sing us, because we have to trust Him here. There, everything is wide open and laid clean and pure. You are there. You are healed. You are Mine.

Here, you are walking through this journey. When you give Him highest praise, you exalt the Most High God on Earth. Jesus said, "Your kingdom come, Your will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven." Ah, they kiss, and Heaven and Earth are in agreement. The angels, whether you see them or not, are praising God all around you while they guard and keep you in all your ways. As they defend you and protect you, even now, as in this psalm. You see the life. "Oh, merciful God, be merciful to me. I trust in you. I know in the shadow of your wings, you will make me a refuge. I am there. These calamities will pass by me." You see the cry. But, he goes, "Oh Lord, I

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will cry out to you.” You hear that. You hear the call? You hear it? That is the journey of life. If we could trust Him and praise Him with our mouth, and not be religious or stern, or blasphemous, or hypocrites, but really give Him the highest praise that is due His name, no matter *what*. Even before you get your answers, because you know He is worthy.

You know He knows what is best. Those boys with Nebuchadnezzar, there was no moving them, right? There was no moving. That is one of our favorite stories. The Fourth Man in the fire, right? Well, He is still walking with us. This is what the Spirit of the Lord exhorts us in today. Remember, this is our lifestyle. The enemy is defeated when you give God your highest praise. Amen.

All right, so let's stand up and pray. May you be encouraged, and if you need prayer, of course, we will pray for you.

“Father, God. We exalt you. We honor your word. We honor your word. We honor the worship. We honor your cloud. We ask, Father, for the Shekinah glory of God to continue to manifest within our souls, into our emotion, into our mind, into our thoughts, into our will, and into our body. This temple called holy, a Holy Ghost temple. That the glory cloud will continue to manifest everywhere the soles of our feet go. We trust you. We trust you, Lord God Most High. Amen. God, bless you.