MESSAGE OUTLINE Formed by the Psalms Let Everything That Has Breath

Psalm 150 (NIV)

¹ Praise the Lord.

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

- ² Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.
- ³ Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,
- ⁴ praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe,
- ⁵ praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.
- ⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord.

Old Testament Story:

2 Chronicles 5:1-14

NOTES:

Glory

"Doxology: A short hymn of praise to God, typically added at the end of a psalm, hymn, or prayer. Derived from the Greek doxa ('glory') and logos ('word')." — The Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church, 3rd ed., 1997.

"Doxology is the response of the whole creation to the glory of God. It is the praise of God as the end and fulfillment of all things, the true telos (goal) of human life and history" (Worship, Community and the Triune God of Grace, 1996).

Question: What is the chief end of man?

Answer: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

— Westminster Shorter Catechism, Question 1

Psalm 73:24-26

"You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory. Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."

The Presence That Fills the Temple

2 Chronicles 5:1-14

Summary

Solomon brings the Ark of the Covenant into the new temple, and as the priests place it in the Most Holy Place, God's glory fills the temple in a cloud, showing His presence and faithfulness.

¹³ The trumpeters and musicians joined in unison to give praise and thanks to the Lord. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, the singers raised their voices in praise to the Lord and sang:

"He is good; his love endures forever."

¹⁴ Then the temple of the Lord was filled with the cloud, and the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled the temple of God.