

# Begin the New Year with the End in Mind Worship the Majesty of His Glorious Presence!

Lesson 2 • Psalm of Ascents 134

### Together Psalms 133 and 134 Reveal the Ultimate GOAL of Our Journey to Joy!

- ➤ 133:1 "BEHOLD...the unity of God's people gathered to worship!"
- ➤ 134:1 "BEHOLD...the majesty of God's presence glorified in worship!"

The Ultimate GOAL of Our Journey to Joy Is...
God's PRESENCE Dwelling with God's PEOPLE in God's PLACE!

#### Both Psalms 133 and 134 Reveal How Our Journey to Joy Will Finally END in Eternity!

- ➤ 133:3 "For there [on the mountains of Zion] the Lord commanded the blessing—life forever!"
- ➤ 134:3 "May the LORD bless you from Zion, He who made heaven and earth!"

The Final END of Our Journey to Joy Is ALL the BLESSINGS of ETERNAL LIFE!

### Psalms 133-134 Help Us Begin the Year with the End in Mind

Witness Our Unity as We Worship His Majesty on Our Journey to Joy!

### As His People We Provide a Preview of Coming Attractions in Eternity

Let's Reveal the **UNITY** of His Coming by **GATHERING** Together as His People! Psalm 133

Let's Reveal the **MAJESTY** of His Coming by **WORSHIPPING** Together in His Glorious Presence! Psalm 134

# Three Basic Questions About Worshipping the Majesty of His Glorious Presence Until He Comes "BEHOLD, bless the LORD, all servants of the LORD, Who serve by night in the house of the LORD!!" Psalm 134

### 1. WHAT Does It Mean to Worship the Majesty of His Glorious Presence?

➤ STAND/SERVE in His holy presence. (v. 1)

OT Meaning: 1Kings 8:10-11; 1Chronicles 9:33; Psalm 135:19-21

NT Application: 1Peter 2:4-5, 9-10; Hebrews 13:14-16

➤ **SURRENDER** to His majestic power. (v. 1)

➤ SII	NG/SHOUT	His gloriou	us praise.	(v. 2)
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➤ SHARE His gracious promises. (v. 3)

What Does It Mean to Worship the Majesty of His Glorious Presence?

To SERVE with a SURRENDERED heart that SINGS and SHOUTS and SPEAKS in order to SHARE His gracious promises with one another and all peoples for the FAME of HIS NAME!

## 2. HOW Do We Worship the Majesty of His Glorious Presence?

- ➤ **SHOW UP** together at His Place!
- ➤ **SING OUT** together with His People!
- ➤ KNEEL DOWN and LIFT UP together in His Presence!

# 3. HOW LONG Do We Worship the Majesty of His Glorious Presence?

- ➤ Until <u>THE NIGHT</u> gives way to the dawning of the Morningstar!

  Revelation 2:24-29
- ➤ Until <u>THE ADVENT</u> of the King and His kingdom in the New Jerusalem! Revelation 3:10–13: 21:1-4

# Begin the Year with the End in Mind

Participate in the Worship of His Majesty as His Gathered People in His Place!

Don't Take this Blessing for Granted...

- ➤ **Persevere** in entering into His presence with His people in His place!
- ➤ **Pursue** your worship of His majesty with a joyful heart that is all in!

Happy New Year and ... "May the LORD bless you from Zion, He who made heaven and earth!" Psalm 134:3