

GLORY!

Delight in Giving God the Glory He Deserves! • Part 3

Lesson 30 • Romans 11:36

"God made man small and the universe big to say something about Himself...The disproportion between us and the universe is a parable about the disproportion between us and God. And it is an understatement. But the point is not to nullify us but to glorify Him." ~John Piper, Don't Waste Your Life

How Should We Respond to the Mystery of God's Majestic Mission of Mercy?

1st Response: "OH, MY GOD!"

Exclamations that Need No Further Proof: "Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!" (v. 33)

Oh! My God Is AWE-some!

Just look at the mystery of His majestic mission of mercy for all peoples—including the likes of YOU & ME!

2nd Response: "WHO AM I?"

Questions that Need No Direct Answer! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" (vv. 34-35)

Question #1 Who am I to think I can out-think God and figure out His mind?

In Light of the Majesty of God's Knowledge... I must admit that I am spiritually ignorant!

Question #2 Who am I to think I can out-maneuver God and give Him advice?

In Light of the Mission of God's Wisdom... I must admit that I don't have a clue spiritually! I am a fool!

Question #3 Who am I to think I can out-give God and make Him my debtor?

In Light of the Riches of God's Mercy... I must declare spiritual bankruptcy!

Entering into the Mystery of God's Majestic Mission of Mercy

- Oh! The depth of God's riches!
 - Oh! The depth of God's wisdom!
 - Oh! The depth of God's knowledge
 - His judgments are unsearchable
 - His ways are untraceable
 - Who has known God's mind?
 - Who has been God's counselor?
- Who has given God anything and made God a debtor?

For from Him, through Him, to Him are all things! To Him be the glory forever! Amen!

Who Are We in Light of...

Revealed Mystery ~ Romans 11:25-32

Divine Sovereignty~ Romans 9

Human Responsibility~ Romans 10

God's Mysterious Purposes ➤ God's Majestic Knowledge? ➤ God's Missional Wisdom? ➤ God Merciful Riches for All Peoples? Global Humility ~ Romans 11

3rd Response: GIVE GOD ALL THE GLORY / GOD GETS ALL THE GLORY!

Explanations that Need No Human Confirmation: "For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen." (v. 36)

Explanation #1 All things are from God: He is the **SOURCE** of all things!

Explanation #2 All things are *through* God: He is the **SUSTAINER** of all things!

Explanation #3 All things are *for* God: He is the **SOVEREIGN** over all things!

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God Deserves to Get All the Glory Forever and Ever!

"To Him be glory forever!"

We Should Delight in Giving Him all the Glory Forever and Ever!

"Amen! It is true! Let it be!"

DOXOLOGY is delighting in giving God the glory He deserves in...

- ➤ In WORD.
- ➤ In SONG.
- ➤ In <u>LIFE</u>. Romans 12—16

What Does that Look Like?

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:1-2

How Do We Do This?

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