

Psalm 47 (A Psalm for the sons of Korah – update edit 9 Feb. 06)

¹ Everyone, get excited about praising the Lord, Jesus Christ the Messiah ¹. Joyfully shout His praises while clapping your hands together. ² It is only right that we should do so, because He is such a great and magnificent God that everyone should reverence Him enough do good and fear Him enough to abandon sinful practices. If we really understood that He is the absolute ruler with absolute authority over all the earth we certainly would praise Him in this way. ³ At the time of the Father's choosing Jesus Christ will make all nations and all the peoples of those nations submit to the mastery of the nation Israel. ⁴ In fact, Israel is extra special to God because she is the offspring of Jacob in all of his majesty and glory. As a result, God has decided that He will personally be their inheritance. Now stop what you are doing, and take a moment to ponder the depths of the truths I just shared with you. Take them to heart, and they will change your life.

⁵ Jesus Christ, God's Son, has ascended into heaven with a shout of joy and with a blast of the trumpet. ⁶ Therefore, sing praises to God the Father, and sing lots of them. Sing praises to Jesus Christ, the Messiah and King, and sing lots of them. ⁷ We certainly ought to praise Jesus Christ because He is King over all the earth; therefore, sing praises to Him with songs that have been skillfully written to convey a good knowledge and understanding of His wonderful person and work. ⁸ God is holy and sits upon His throne in holiness. From there He rules over all the nations and their peoples, Hebrew and non-Hebrew alike. ⁹ By the grace of God, the noblemen of those nations will someday gather together as a people of the God of the Jews. They will do so because Jesus Christ the Messiah is the God who is vastly superior to any god, and He is fully able to defend His claims while no individual or nation is able to penetrate his defenses. Let's face it, He is vastly superior to any other being, mortal or immortal.

¹ For the sake of application, since Christ said in John 14:6, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me" the phrase "Jesus Christ the Messiah" has been used.

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