

Lesson 5 — A PRAYER OF A YOUNG MAN — Psalm 8

1. Read 1 Samuel 17. It is said that Psalm 8 was written after this great event in David's life. (a) What things happened on that day that would cause David to praise God? (b) What similarities do you see between Psalm 8 and 1 Samuel 17?
2. Compare Psalm 8 and Hebrews 2. What could be some of the reasons the writer to the Hebrews quotes from Psalm 8?
3. Compare and contrast Psalm 8 and Psalm 148.
4. In Psalm 8, David refers to the Lord's name as excellent. (a) What else do we learn about the Lord's name in the following verses? Psalm 18:49, 33:21, 61:5, 63:4, 69:36, 72:17, 74:10, 76:1, 80:18, 111:9. (b) How would you describe the Lord's name?
5. (a) In what ways do you consider the Lord's name to be "excellent?" (b) What are some ways you can teach your children or grandchildren or others to revere the Lord's name?
6. Spend some time this week looking at nature and meditating on God's marvelous creation and His glory. Write some thoughts of praise.
7. Come with a written praise to God for the fact that "He is mindful of you," especially considering that you are mere man (woman).