

REVERENCING GOD

Psalm 89:7; 33:8

INTRODUCTION

- A. Vine states, "Lit, to turn in (i.e., upon oneself), to put to shame, denotes...to feel respect for, to show deference to, to reverence." (Matthew 21:37; Mark 12:6; Luke 20:13; Hebrews 12:9).
- B. ISBE states, "The idea is that of the 'self-valuation of inferiority,' and so sets forth an attitude toward another of doing him honor."

DISCUSSION

- I. GOD IS THE CREATOR – WE ARE THE CREATURE.
 - A. Psalm 100:3.
 - B. Romans 1:25.
 - C. Many esteem themselves too highly. Romans 2:3; 1 Peter 5:5.
- II. HOLY AND REVEREND IS HIS NAME.
 - A. Psalm 111:9.
 - B. Exodus 20:7.
 - C. Matthew 6:9.
- III. FEAR AND RESPECT IS DUE HIM.
 - A. Proverbs 1:7.
 - B. Ecclesiastes 12:13.
 - C. Luke 1:49-50.
- IV. WORSHIP AND DEVOTION BELONG TO HIM. (See Webster and Vine).
 - A. He is worthy of our worship since He is the Almighty. Psalm 33:6-9; Job 37:5.
 - B. No other is worthy of worship: neither men nor angels. Acts 10:25-26; Revelation 22:8-9.
 - C. He demands we worship Him and no other. Exodus 34:14; Psalm 96:8-9; 95:6, 7; 99:9.
 - D. We must worship in spirit and in truth. John 4:24.
 - E. We are to worship with sincerity, reverence and meditation. PS 122:1; Hebrews 12:28-29.
- Vi. THINGS WHICH DESTROY REVERENCE.
 - A. Being unprepared for worship. Mark 15:42; Exodus 16:5, 22-24.
 - B. Our mind on other things. 1 Corinthians 14:40; 2 Chronicles 30:18-19; Ezra 7:10.
 - C. Inappropriate clothing.
 - D. Disturbances before or during the service.

CONCLUSION

- A. John 4:24.
- B. Ecclesiastes 12:13.