

The Glory of the Lord in Creation

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Psalm 8

❖ Creation Rests on Christ the Creator

- Matthew 6:26-30; Acts 17:28; Hebrews 11:3; Philippians 4:19; Romans 8:11
- V. 2 – Our complete dependence on God is our strength
- The Word of God that was spoken at the beginning of creation is still in existence today, and the Holy Spirit is doing the work of creating what God's Word says about who we are and what we are becoming in Christ

Discuss: How can being fully dependent on God be strength?

❖ God Knows You

- Isaiah 49:16; Isaiah 43:1; Psalm 139:16
- God is omnipotent (all knowing), but He *chooses* to forget our sins
- God's thoughts are never random. You are always on God's mind because He is always with you

❖ We were created to have Dominion

- Genesis 1:26; Luke 10:19; Romans 6:14
- **Facts about Your Authority as a Believer:**
 - *Jesus paid to secure your authority* – Matthew 28:18-20
 - *You have authority to preach the Gospel* – Luke 9:60; Mark 16:15
 - *You have authority to stand against the enemy* – Ephesians 6:10-18; 2 Corinthians 10:4-5; Luke 10:19
 - *You are seated with Christ in Heavenly Places* – Ephesians 1:15-23; Colossians 1:13
 - *You have the power of God's Word to exercise your authority* – 1 John 4:4; Acts 1:8
 - *You have authority to live as a new creation in Christ* – 2 Corinthians 5:17
 - *You can minister and walk in authority* – Luke 9:1; Matthew 10:8; John 14:12

Discuss: How can we use our Authority as believers daily? What changes (if any) need to happen personally for you to step into this authority?