

Lord's Day February 9, 2025



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PRAISE
20.

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- Hymns of Truth and Praise #20

Fourth Verse

- Beautiful Savior
- Lord of the nations
- Son of God and Son of Man
- Glory and Honor
- Praise adoration
- Now and Forever more be Thine

Brother Hardinger's comments on Worship

- When we study something, analyze it to the parts, we lose the whole.
- Jan Zwicky “Polished bones”
- Beholding is better than explaining.
- Seeing as the one, as the God and Country book, “one tradesman complained about his work, and another was building a cathedral.” Christopher Wren 1666. CoPilot source.
- Setting aside special time depends on our disposition toward that time. Not inspection but careful responsible sensitive as looking with love.

Beauty

- Not the spectacle
- Not the Philistine Goliath where the voice is big, the boast is bigger, more power, taunts us.
- Not static, frozen in time, past and done.
- Beauty is alive in the moment,
- Energy begetting not energy exhausting
- The flow of pleasant music, “Fairest Lord Jesus”

Let's talk about the various meanings of object, objective, objectivity,

- Objective: a medical context telling the findings and signs.
- Objection: An emphasis on the second syllable, opposition to an argument, “I object!”
- Objective: a goal to achieve.
- Objective: exists independent of mind.
- Objective: belonging to a sensible world verified intersubjectively observable by scientific methods.
- Objective: Expressing the facts without distortion by personal feelings or prejudices,
- Object: to be delineated, a thing
- Object: designating a direct object in a sentence after a verb.

Acts 17:22-28 NASB

- So Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus and said, “Men of Athens, I observe that you are very religious in all respects. “For while I was passing through and examining the **objects** of your worship, I also found an altar with this inscription, ‘TO AN UNKNOWN GOD.’ Therefore what you worship in ignorance, this I proclaim to you. “The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands; nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things; and He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, that they would seek God, if perhaps they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; **for in Him we live and move and exist**, as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we also are His children.’

Acts 17:28 NKJV

- for in Him we live and move and have our being”
- Christ is not an object of worship, rather a Person.
- Neither is Truth objective, just to look at independent of our emotions and prejudices. It is meant to engage us and be heart to heart in agreement.

We have two ears, two eyes, two hands, nasal passages too.

- We can tell depth,
- Approaching and passing by
- Timing because we have two ears, one can turn the head in the direction of the sound, only milliseconds different in arriving
- Fragrances discerned, from Lazarus in the tomb three days to frankincense.
- Pray with hands together, serve with hands apart.

Biblical the call of Nathaniel

- Nathaniel,
- John 1:43-51 NASB Now Philip was from Bethsaida, of the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” Nathanael said to him, “Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael said to Him, “How do You know me?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” Nathanael answered Him, “Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel.” Jesus answered and said to him, “Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” And He said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see the heavens opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

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- Nathan: Do we wonder what happened under the fig tree? According to this, the Lord Jesus saw him. Meditating on Jacob's ladder staircase.
 - This is another Christophany
 - Jesus said of Nathaniel "behold an Israelite in whom is no deceit"
 - To the pure all things are pure. (Titus1:15)
 - Ryrie says this was omnipresence.
 - A manifestation: "Rabbi you are the Son of God, You are the King of Israel"
 - A vision of angels ascending and descending on the Son of Man. Future blessing. Presently manifested to us.

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- Guard against, worship as something to grasp, something to achieve, something we do, and checking it off our list.
 - I am not going to watch a movie, visual gate. Imagination not fantasy.
 - The manifestation of godliness: believing Him and His promises.
 - The Spirit says “Abba Father”
 - Hymns, can be a help to us. Another’s thoughts can lead us onward to higher ground.
 - Prophetic word spoken in meeting.

I am only one and to worship takes this entire assembly's combined gifts to blend.



Sunday February
1st 7:37 am.

Soft sounds of
their honks.



- Sunset on our Black Pines, Arbor Vitae
- January 31, Friday 5:15 pm

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