

## LESSONS THIS QUARTER

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| 1) | 01 June .....        | Psalm 001 .....        | God's Wisdom       |
| 2) | 08 June .....        | Psalm 119 .....        | God's Truth        |
| 3) | 15 June .....        | Psalm 019 .....        | God's Glory        |
| 4) | <b>22 June .....</b> | <b>Psalm 096 .....</b> | <b>God's Reign</b> |
| 5) | 29 June .....        | Psalm 132 .....        | God's Promise      |
| 6) | 06 July .....        | Psalm 110 .....        | God's Messiah      |
| 7) | 13 July .....        | Psalm 018 .....        | God's Deliverance  |
| 8) | 20 July .....        | Psalm 105 .....        | God's Faithfulness |
| 9) | 27 July .....        | Psalm 038 .....        | God's Conviction   |

## INTRODUCTION

- God deserves the glory due His mighty Name, and He wants us to freely and honestly give Him the Glory through willful and fervent obedience to His word, – not by feigned or insincere worship or even delayed obedience. Now, how do we do this with all of our might?

Passage	Comments
Psalm 96:1	<p>1. Sing to the LORD a new song; Sing to the LORD, all the earth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heaven will be a fresh place since we will continually be making NEW plans, experiencing NEW activities, and growing our ever-expanding wisdom. Heaven will not be boring. ....Ecc 9:10</li> <li>• For all eternity we will ever be learning about our unfathomable God and crafting new songs to sing to Him .....Ps 33:3; 96:1; 98:1; 144:9; 149:1</li> <li>• God likes to hear NEW songs and people playing skillfully on their musical instruments ..... Ps 33:3; 96:1</li> <li>• God puts a NEW song in our hearts ..... Ps 40:3</li> <li>• In Heaven, God will continually hear NEW songs ..... Rev 5:9; 14:3</li> <li>• For some of us musically challenged people, music is nice to hear, but painful to participate in, especially to sing out loud</li> <li>• BUT God enjoys music. It is a HIGH priority element of worship for Him – including using LOUD Sounding Cymbals &amp; Trumpets.....1Chron 15:28</li> </ul>
96:2	<p>2. Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day.</p> <p>3. Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God wants us to Go and Tell. In fact, He wants to accomplish His will in our life and in the lives of others through our prayers as we Go and Tell</li> </ul>
96:4-6	<p>4. For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.</p> <p>5. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the LORD made the heavens.</p> <p>6. Splendor and majesty are before Him, Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God does enjoy high quality, even from His lowly servants.</li> <li>• Avoid serving half-heartedly or taking the path of least resistance</li> <li>• Consider taking the high road when it comes to serving God</li> <li>• God didn't cheat on us when He gave us Everything thru Christ</li> </ul>
96:7	<p>7. Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples; Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do we Ascribe Glory and Strength to the Lord?</li> <li>• God receives glory from our redemption through proclamation of His greatness and manifold wisdom throughout His creation.</li> <li>• So, let's get out &amp; fervently share the Gospel ..... 1Peter 2:9; Eph 3:10</li> </ul>
96:8	<p>8. Ascribe to the LORD the glory of His name; Bring an offering and come into His courts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What kind of offering would be appropriate to a Holy God who created and owns everything? How much Time? Money? Possessions? Or does God want us Humbled and Surrendered?</li> <li>• What are God's minimum requirements to please Him? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ <b>Moses</b> put it this way: Fear Him, Obey Him, Love Him, and Serve Him whole-heartedly (i.e., eager willingness).....Deut 10:12-13</li> <li>♦ <b>Micah</b> put it this way: "...do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God".....Micah 6:8</li> <li>♦ <b>God</b> put it this way: "I desire mercy, not sacrifice, &amp; to know Me more than burnt offerings" ..... Hos 6:6</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ <b>Jeremiah</b> put it this way: "Do justice &amp; righteousness, deliver the one who has been robbed from the power of his oppressor; do not mistreat strangers, orphans, or widows; and do not shed innocent blood." ..... <b>Jer 22:3</b></li> <li>♦ <b>The Psalmist</b> put it this way: "Righteousness &amp; justice are the foundation of Your throne; Lovingkindness and truth go before You ..... <b>Ps 89:14; 97:2</b></li> <li>♦ <b>Jesus</b> put it this way: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind, &amp; your neighbor as yourself" ..... <b>Mat 22:37</b></li> <li>♦ And the <b>Apostle Paul</b> put it this way: "The purpose of God's commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from a sincere faith" ..... <b>1Tim 1:5</b></li> </ul>
96:9	<p><b>9. Worship the LORD in holy attire; Tremble before Him, all the earth.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is Holy Attire?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Should it be suits &amp; ties for men, dresses for women?</li> <li>♦ Or is it formal attire, such as tuxedos for men?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Consider this.</b> When Levitical priests came out of the Tabernacle to minister to the people (at least as recorded for Ezekiel's Temple) they had to take off their highly adorned priestly attire &amp; put on their everyday clothes ..... <b>Ezek 44:19</b></li> <li>• Dress codes are nice, but they should be based more on modesty reasons &amp; not reflect on one's level of spirituality. The Priests even had to wear the right underwear, or they died ..... <b>Ex 28:42-43</b></li> </ul>
96:10	<p><b>10. Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns; Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved; He will judge the peoples with equity."</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isn't it comforting to know that God established our little earth to be populated and for us to enjoy sunrises every day ..... <b>Is 45:12,18</b></li> <li>• ...and His judgment will be fair and equitable to everyone. The Righteous will be blessed beyond measure because of The Cross, and the Wicked will get what they want and deserve – an eternity away from a Holy God.</li> </ul>
96:11-12	<p><b>11. Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; Let the sea roar, and all it contains;</b>  <b>12. Let the field exult, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poetic license allows even inanimate objects (i.e., stars, planets, earth, sea, fields, &amp; trees) to express emotions and to sing for joy</li> <li>• After all, God can even raise up children from stones ..... <b>Mat 3:9</b></li> </ul>
96:13	<p><b>13. Before the LORD, for He is coming, For He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in His faithfulness.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This coming day of judgment (aka, The Day of the Lord) occurs at the close of the Millennial Reign of Christ ..... <b>Rev 20:11-15</b></li> </ul>

## CONCLUSION / APPLICATIONS / CONSIDERATIONS

- God would rather we close the church doors, stay home, and watch TV than offer Him half-hearted worship. .... [Mal 1:10](#)
- So, let's heartily sing to God with everything we've got, else we could be accused of feigned obedience.

