

GREETINGS FROM GREENVINE



Karen and I sang several songs while we were on our vacation trip. The awesomeness of God’s creation is so awe inspiring. So beautiful. So refreshing.

Psalm 8

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.....When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place, what is man that You are mindful of him, the son of man that You care for him?.... You made him ruler over the works of Your hands; You put everything under his feet: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

To simply think that God has put all this together to bless mankind here on earth, and then to get to witness some of it first hand is so delightful. Wow!

That reminds me, the most proclaimed phrase expressed on our trip was: “Wow, look at that!” Over and over again. From both of us. Looking out from different sides of the truck. God’s beauty and splendor were and are everywhere.

Romans 1: 20 says, “For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities — His eternal power and divine nature — have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.” We clearly saw those qualities. The power of the Creator in His miraculous masterpiece. His nature as “Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!”

Another song came to mind.

Lord of all creation of water earth and sky
The heavens are Your tabernacle, Glory to the Lord on high
God of wonders beyond our galaxy
You are holy holy
The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy holy
Lord of heaven and earth

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Early in the morning I will celebrate the light
When I stumble in the darkness I will call Your name by night

God of wonders beyond our galaxy
You are holy holy
Precious Lord reveal Your heart to me
Father hold me hold me
The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy holy holy holy

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Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth)
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I feel that I must write out Psalm 104. One of my favorites and so descriptive of our God, Creator.

Bless the LORD, O my soul!
O LORD my God, you are very great!
You are clothed with splendor and majesty,
covering yourself with light as with a garment,
stretching out the heavens like a tent.
He lays the beams of his chambers on the
waters;
he makes the clouds his chariot;
he rides on the wings of the wind;
he makes his messengers winds,
his ministers a flaming fire.
He set the earth on its foundations,
so that it should never be moved.
You covered it with the deep as with a garment;
the waters stood above the mountains.
At your rebuke they fled;
at the sound of your thunder they took to flight.
The mountains rose, the valleys sank down
to the place that you appointed for them.
You set a boundary that they may not pass,
so that they might not again cover the earth.
You make springs gush forth in the valleys;

they flow between the hills;
they give drink to every beast of the field;
the wild donkeys quench their thirst.
Beside them the birds of the heavens dwell;
they sing among the branches.
From your lofty abode you water the mountains;
the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.
You cause the grass to grow for the livestock
and plants for man to cultivate,
that he may bring forth food from the earth
and wine to gladden the heart of man,
oil to make his face shine
and bread to strengthen man's heart.
The trees of the LORD are watered abundantly,
the cedars of Lebanon that he planted.
In them the birds build their nests;
the stork has her home in the fir trees.
The high mountains are for the wild goats;
the rocks are a refuge for the rock badgers.
He made the moon to mark the seasons;
the sun knows its time for setting.
You make darkness, and it is night,

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when all the beasts of the forest creep about.
The young lions roar for their prey,
seeking their food from God.
When the sun rises, they steal away
and lie down in their dens.
Man goes out to his work
and to his labor until the evening.
O LORD, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom have you made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
Here is the sea, great and wide,
which teems with creatures innumerable,
living things both small and great.
There go the ships,
and Leviathan, which you formed to play in it.
These all look to you,
to give them their food in due season.
When you give it to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with
good things.
Tell of All His Wondrous Works

When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
When you send forth your Spirit, they are
created,
and you renew the face of the ground.
May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works,
who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke!
I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the LORD.
Let sinners be consumed from the earth,
and let the wicked be no more!
Bless the LORD, O my soul!
Praise the LORD!

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns in heaven and earth. Our God is an awesome God.

More to come from Karen's point of view next week. Blessings. Karen & Jack

Announcements

- Wednesday Night Bible Study -Wednesday nights @ 6pm
- Greenvine's Girls of Grace - Tuesday September 14, 2021@ 6pm
- Serve Burton Bridge meal and provide desserts - Friday October 22
- Greater Things Gala - Friday October 22, 2021 benefiting Adult and Teen Challenge
- Greenvine's Girls of Grace Workday - Preparing art project for retreat - Saturday Oct 23, @ 9:30am
- Men's Prayer Breakfast - Wednesday October 27, @ 7am
- Southern Association Women's Retreat - November 5-7, 2021 - Sandy Creek Bible Camp
- Taco Stack at Blinn - Wednesday November 17
- Women's Bake Sale - Supporting Chain of Love - Sunday November 21

Prayer Requests

Jack and Karen's Nephew - Pray that he will listen to the Doctors and to his mother

Charlotte Avera - Continued healing

Brayden Lopez - Mental and Spiritual health

Debbie Reed - Recovery on her wrist

Cliff reed -Back Surgery - Thursday October 7

Jim Witte - Recovering from oral surgery

Neal Lampe has come home. Please pray for continued healing

Please remember Linda Fogle and her family in the loss of Rick

Carolyn Cox - Continues to have extreme pain in her back

Geri Smart's daughter as she continues to battle cancer

Denny's Sister is in need of a Kidney Transplant

Becky's granddaughter Taylor who has Cystic Fibrosis and is having health issues

Bobbie's son in law, Michael and his mom and dad all have covid (dad is in the hospital).

Kathy Bates daughter and son in law, their children and her sister all have covid

Oran Lambright, Jack and Karen's friend is in ICU continuing to improve

Ray and Bev Morris - Bev and been diagnosed with Alzheimers

Sandra Carson's daughter Candace is having some mental health issues

Bob & Sadie Easley - Health issues

Ed Ehring's sister Julie Robison is suffering from Alzheimer's.

Vicky Hoffman - legally blind but her eyes are getting worse

Prayers for those working in health related jobs, for protection. Especially those from our own families:

Karen at St Joseph - Susan - State School - Zella Johnson