7 CREATOR OF ALL THINGS

KEY TEXT: PSALM 8:1-9

CENTRAL truth

David, the author of Psalm 8, finds himself observing God's creation and responds by worshiping the Lord for who He is and His creative power. This week, we'll be reminded that **we are called to celebrate God as the Creator of all things.**

key question

What does Psalm 8:5 teach us about human value and dignity?

Although humankind is small compared to the vastness of God's creation, we hold a unique place within His created order. Just as we see in Genesis 1:26-28, both men and women were made in God's image and likeness. We were created to reflect God's character into the world as His royal representatives who care for and rule over the world He made.

keep in mind

- Depending on the translation you and your students use while studying this passage, you will see that verse 5 says that human beings were made a little "less" or "lower" than "God," "heavenly beings," or "angels." While this may be confusing, help students to see that David is highlighting humanity's value and unique role within God's creation.
- In our day and age, students and adults alike find ourselves tempted to either think too lowly or too highly of ourselves as human beings. Help students to see that Psalm 8 invites us to see ourselves properly in light of God's good character and creative power. As image-bearers, we hold inherent value and worth.

application

How does Psalm 8 remind us of both God's greatness and His care for us? Why should this encourage us?

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FOR THE STUDENT: Help students to see that as people made in the image and likeness of God, we are called to celebrate Him as the Creator of all things.

FOR THE LEADER: Through this week's teaching, remind students of their worth and dignity as image-bearers, and point them to their true purpose: to worship and enjoy the Lord.

