

What Is Little Ol' Man?

Psalm 8

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The world has many distorted views of man. The materialist believes man is only matter that has evolved accidentally over eons of time from a simple cell out of a primordial soup through a series of changes, including an ape and that death ends it all. Others go to another extreme of thinking man is the center of the universe...it is all about us. The Psalmist, looking to the heavens asks in wonder: "What is man that You are mindful of him? The song tells us that:

I. God is Mindful of Man

1. God Remembers Man.
2. God Reveals Himself to man.
 - He visits man: takes care of him

1 Peter 5:7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

- In the world
- In the Word
- In Living Word

John 1: ¹⁴ ¶ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth...¹⁸ No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared *Him*.

II. He Made Us A Little Lower Than the Angels

1. Word "angels" is really "Eloihim", or gods
2. The creation account

Genesis 1: ²⁶ ¶ Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

²⁷ So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them...^{2:7} And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

3. Less than the angels in creation but not in redemption!

III. We Are Made For Purpose-mention 3

1. To Personally Know Him
2. Power or Management Over Creation
3. Praise of the Creator

David begins and ends this Psalm with the glory of God!