

**Christ Revealed in the Psalms**  
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**God as Our Habitation, Our Eternal Dwelling Place—The Highest and  
Fullest Experience of God**

**Psalms 90**

**1 O Lord**, You have been **our dwelling place** in all generations.

**2** Before the mountains were brought forth, and before You gave birth to the earth and the world, indeed from eternity to eternity, You are God.

**10** The days of our years are seventy years, or, if because of strength, eighty years; but their pride is labor and sorrow, for it is soon gone, and we fly away.

**Psalms 91:1** He who **dwells** in the secret place of the Most High will **abide** in the shadow of the Almighty.

**Deut. 33:27a** The **God** of old **is your habitation**, and underneath are eternal arms.

**John 14:23** Jesus answered and said to him, If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and **We will come to him and make an abode with him.**

Scripture Reading: Psa. 90:3-4; 9-12; Col. 2:6-7; 3:3; 1 John 4:13,16; 3:24; Eph. 3:17a.

**I. To take God as our habitation, our eternal dwelling place, is the highest and fullest experience of God—Psa. 90:1.**

- A. In Psalm 90:1, Moses uttered these words, “Oh Lord, You have been our dwelling place/ In all generations.”
- B. According to Moses, the giver of the law and the writer of Psalm 90, we can also dwell in the eternal Triune God as our Lord—v. 1; 91:9; Deut. 33:27; cf. John 4:15-16; Rev. 21:22.
  - 1. Through out the Old Testament age there were many great men of God, however only Moses had such a profound realization; he could say that God is our habitation, our dwelling place—Deut. 33:27; Psa. 90:1.
  - 2. God is not our hotel, God is our dwelling place, our home.
- C. To dwell in God is to have our living in God, taking Him as our everything; this is deeper than eating and drinking Him—Col. 2:6; 3:3; 1 John 4:16.
  - 1. To dwell in God is not merely to rest in Him or to be satisfied by Him temporarily, it is to have our entire living in Him.
  - 2. This is surely deeper than eating and drinking Him; therefore, to dwell in God is the highest, deepest, and fullest experience of Him.
- D. If we take Christ as our dwelling place, we will realize that the span of our life on earth is brief and full of sins and afflictions—Psa. 90:10, 3-11.
  - 1. Moses had the realization that his human life was fragile, limited and temporal; anyone who takes God as his habitation will have the realization that human life is fragile and limited.
  - 2. To have God as our dwelling place is the surest thing in the universe; nothing else counts, or is reliable; everything is soon gone and even will quickly fly away.
- E. We need to dwell in God, living in Him every minute, for outside of Him there are sins and afflictions—v. 8; John 16:33; 1 Thess. 5:16-18.
- F. We should all have the testimony in our life that we are in God; a sign that we are abiding in the Lord is that we know God experientially in our daily life—1 John 2:6; 5:20.

**Questions:**

- 1. Why could Moses say that “**O Lord**, You have been **our dwelling place** in all generations”? What did he experience? (Deut. 9:9, 11; Exo. 34:28)
- 2. What does it mean to dwell in God? Give some personal experiences.
- 3. What is a sign of abiding in the Lord? What is the result of abiding in the Lord?

## Hymn

1. Lord, I've set my heart; Lord, I just love You.  
Beside You I have no other desire.  
Lord, I just like to live You.

Lord, I love You because You love me.  
I just like to live You,  
And be under Your instant moment by moment leading.

2. On the entire earth, in the whole universe,  
I have no int'rest or other desire:  
My desire is only You.
3. Thank You, dearest Lord; You've predestinated me.  
You've called me and saved me and, Lord, preserved me.  
You have brought me, Lord, to this day.