

## PSALM 24

Intro: Setting for Psalm unknown. Some have suggested it was used for the moving of the ark of the covenant to Jerusalem (2 Sam. 6). Others have understood this as pointing to something much greater, namely, the coming of Christ to rule.

Verses 1-2 "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein," - everything in it. We possess nothing. Lk. 12:18-20.

A. "...though he has prepared the throne of his glory in the heavens, yet his kingdom rules over all, and even the worms of the earth are not below his cognizance, nor from under His dominion." (Matthew Henry's Commentary, Vol. III, p. 319).

B. "...founded it upon the seas. Gen. 1:9-10; 2 Pt. 3:3-7.

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| C. | Is. 40:22    | Job 26:7      | Ps. 104:24    | Prov. 8:30-31 |
|    | Is. 42:5     | Ps. 24:1-2    | Ps. 113:5-6   |               |
|    | Is. 44:24    | Ps. 89:11     | Ps. 115:16    |               |
|    | Is 45:12, 18 | Ps. 102:18-20 | Ps. 119:89-90 |               |

Verses 3-6 This is who shall seek the Lord. So, we go to the obvious: Jn. 6:25-29; Rm. 3:20-24.

Verses 7-10 The King of glory enters.

A. There is only one King of glory: The Messiah; the Christ: Jesus!

B. The gates of Jerusalem, of the Temple, of the church, of the people - you and me, are to be opened that we welcome the King of glory into our lives! Hymn 341 - Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!

C. This is what will fully take place at the time of I Thess 4:14-18.

# Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Be - hold, the  
 2 A right - teous Help - er comes to thee; His char - lot  
 3 How blest the land, the cit - y blest, Where Christ the  
 4 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make it a

King of glo - ry waits. The King of kings is draw - ing  
 is hu - mil - i - ty, His king - ly crown is ho - li -  
 rul - er is con - fessed! O peace - ful hearts and hap - py  
 tem - ple set a - part From earth - ly use for heav'n's em -

near; The Sav - lor of the world is here. Life and sal -  
 ness, His scap - ter, pit - y in dls - tress. The end of  
 homes To whom this King in tri - umph comes! The cloud - less  
 ploy, A - domed with prayer and love and joy. So shall your

va - tion He doth bring; There - fore re - joice and glad - ly sing.  
 all our woe He brings; There - fore the earth is glad and sings.  
 sun of joy is He Who comes to set His peo - ple free.  
 Sov - 'rign en - ter in And new and no - bler life be - gin.

To God the Fa - ther raise Your joy - ful songs of praise.  
 To Christ the Sav - lor raise Your grate - ful hymns of praise.  
 To God the Spir - it raise Your hap - py shouts of praise.  
 To God a - lone be praise For word and deed and grace!

5 Redeemer, come and open wide  
 My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!  
 O enter with Thy grace divine;  
 Thy face of mercy on me shine.

Thy Holy Spirit guide us on  
 Until our glorious goal is won.  
 Eternal praise and fame  
 We offer to Thy name.

Text: Georg Wilsch, 1590-1635; in: Cathedra Wyborová, 1877-78, alt.  
 Tune: August Lenke, 1820-1913; setting: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941

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Ps. 24: 7-10; Is. 60: 4