





## JEREMIAH 9.23,24

Thus says the LORD, “Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; **but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me,** that I am the LORD who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things,” declares the LORD.



## REVELATION 4.8

And the four living creatures, each one of them having six wings, are full of eyes around and within; and day and night they do not cease to say, “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY IS THE LORD GOD, THE ALMIGHTY, WHO WAS AND WHO IS AND WHO IS TO COME.”



## REVELATION 4.9-II

And when the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, to Him who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders will fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and will worship Him who lives forever and ever, and will cast their crowns before the throne, saying,



## REVELATION 4.9-II

“Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.”



# GOD IS CREATOR

The Significance & Consequence



## CONTEXT OF REV. 4.II

### ➤ 24 Elders' Worship (Rev. 4.11)

- Elders SEEM to represent faithful humanity
- Cast THEIR crowns at the Creator's feet
- Worthy of “glory and honor and power”



# CONTEXT OF REV. 4.II

## ➤ 3 Reasons

- FOR You Created ALL THINGS
- BECAUSE of Your will, they “were”
- And “were created”



## CONTEXT OF REV. 4.II

### ➤ 3 Reasons

1. Created All Things – Worthy of Power
2. Your will, they “were” – Worthy of Honor
3. “were created” – Worthy of Glory



# THE WONDER OF THE CREATOR



# HOW CAN ALMIGHTY RECEIVE POWER?

➤ Almighty (All Authority) Includes “power”



## ISAIAH 45.23,24

23 “I have sworn by Myself,  
The word has gone forth from My mouth in  
righteousness  
And will not turn back,  
That to Me every knee will bow, every tongue will  
swear *allegiance*.



## ISAIAH 45.23,24

24 “They will say of Me, ‘Only in the LORD are righteousness and strength.’

Men will come to Him,



# HOW CAN ALMIGHTY RECEIVE POWER?

- Almighty (All Authority) Includes “power”
  - Every knee *will* bow? *Will* swear allegiance?



## ISAIAH 44.21,22

“Remember these things, O Jacob,  
And Israel, for you are My servant;  
I have formed you, you are My servant,  
O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me.



## ISAIAH 44.21,22

22 “I have wiped out your transgressions like a thick cloud

And your sins like a heavy mist.

Return to Me, for I have redeemed you.”



# HOW CAN ALMIGHTY RECEIVE POWER?

- Almighty (All Authority) Includes “power”
  - Every knee will bow? Will swear allegiance?
  - Return to the Creator?
  - God gave angels and humans power to reject Him
  - Creator ought to be given that power back
  - I.e. humans ought to cast their crowns before God



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

➤ Is. 51.12,13

- Vs. 9-11

- “Put on strength” as in “past generations”
- Cut Rahab (the sea dragon) in pieces
- Made a path through the waters
- Recalling God’s past deliverance



## ISAIAH 51.12,13

Is. 51:12 “I, even I, am He who comforts you.  
Who are you that you are afraid of man who dies  
And of the son of man who is made like grass,  
13 That you have forgotten the LORD your Maker,  
Who stretched out the heavens



## ISAIAH 51.12,13

And laid the foundations of the earth,  
That you fear continually all day long because of the  
fury of the oppressor,  
As he makes ready to destroy?  
But where is the fury of the oppressor?



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

➤ Is. 51.12,13

- Why is anyone afraid of man?
- Have you forgotten your Maker?



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

- Is. 51.12,13
- B/C only Creator can guarantee deliverance
- B/C to NOT entrust our Power to Him IS to FORGET our Creator
- B/C my power is ONLY effective if Given to the Creator



## JOB 40.15-24

Job 40:15 “Behold now, Behemoth, which I made as well as you;

He eats grass like an ox.

16 “Behold now, his strength in his loins  
And his power in the muscles of his belly.

17 “He bends his tail like a cedar;



## JOB 40.15-24

The sinews of his thighs are knit together.

18 “His bones are tubes of bronze;

His limbs are like bars of iron.

Job 40:19 “He is the first of the ways of God;

Let his maker bring near his sword.

20 “Surely the mountains bring him food,



## JOB 40.15-24

And all the beasts of the field play there.

21 “Under the lotus plants he lies down,  
In the covert of the reeds and the marsh.

22 “The lotus plants cover him with shade;  
The willows of the brook surround him.

23 “If a river rages, he is not alarmed;

24 “If a river is full, he does not become angry;  
He does not become afraid when the Jordan  
overflows, or when the Nile  
breaks through its banks.

25 “He does not become afraid when the Jordan  
overflows, or when the Nile  
breaks through its banks.



## JOB 40.15-24

He is confident, though the Jordan rushes to his mouth.

24 “Can anyone capture him when he is on watch,  
With barbs can anyone pierce *his* nose?



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

- Job 40.15-24
- Made the Behemoth just like you Job
  - Immensity of power shows 2 things
    1. Power of Initial Creation
    2. Power of Continued Control



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

- Job 40.15-24
- Made the Behemoth just like you Job
- “First of the ways of God”
  - What is contrasted by Behemoth’s power?
  - Power & PEACE merged in this creature
- B/C Creator’s Power reigned in by Peace



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

➤ Is. 48.6-8

- Recall vs. 3-5
- God foretells His actions & suddenly acts
- To prove uniqueness from idols
- Their rebellious hearts



## ISAIAH 48.6-8

6 “You have heard; look at all this.

And you, will you not declare it?

I proclaim to you **new things** from this time,

Even hidden things which you have not known.



## ISAIAH 48.6-8

7 “They are **created now** and not long ago;  
And before today you have not heard them,  
So that you will not say, ‘Behold, I knew them.’



## ISAIAH 48.6-8

8 “You have not heard, you have not known.  
Even from long ago your ear has not been open,  
Because I knew that you would deal very  
treacherously;  
And you have been called a rebel from birth.



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

- Is. 48.6-8
- Creates NEW Things
  - (Again) Because of their rebellious hearts
  - Proves Uniqueness from Humans; “I knew them”
  - Humans cannot create like God



## EXODUS 34.10

Then God said, “Behold, I am going to make a covenant. Before all your people I will perform miracles which **have not been produced** in all the earth nor among any of the nations; and all the people among whom you live will see the working of the LORD, for **it is a fearful thing that I am going to perform with you.**



## NUMBERS 16.30

“But if the LORD brings about an entirely new thing and the ground opens its mouth and swallows them up with all that is theirs, and they descend alive into Sheol, then you will understand that these men have spurned the LORD.”



## PSALM 139.13-16

For You formed my inward parts;

You wove me in my mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup> I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

Wonderful are Your works,



## PSALM 139.13-16

And my soul knows it very well.

15 My frame was not hidden from You,

When I was made in secret,

*And* skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth;

16 Your eyes have seen my unformed substance;



## PSALM 139.13-16

And in Your book were all written  
The days that were ordained *for me*,  
When as yet **there was not one of them.**



# WHY WORTHY OF POWER?

- Is. 48.6-8
- Creates **NEW** Things
  - New Covenants & Miracles (Ex. 34.10)
  - New Judgments (Num. 16.30)
  - New People & Personalities (Ps. 139.13-16)



# WHAT DO WE DO? WONDERING AT THE CREATOR

- Act consistent to allegiance to the Creator
- Make Time Worship and Wonder at the Creator
- Psalm 104

