

SINGING A NEW SONG

Date: August 31, 2025 - Psalm 98

Central Idea: Victory in Christ brings boundless joy. Are you living a victorious and joyful life?

Introduction:

Psalm 98 is one of the coronation psalms. Like the others in the series, it was included in the psalter to commemorate the return from Babylon and to anticipate the coming kingdom of Christ. Like the surrounding psalms, this psalm proclaims the excitement and joy of the whole earth over Christ's return and the rule of His kingdom. It deals with three magnificent themes.

I. Sing a New Song, vv. 1-3.

1. The Lord's song, vv. 1-2
2. The Lord's strength, v. 1b
3. The Lord's victory, v. 2
4. The Lord's mercy, v. 3

II. Shout for Joy, vv. 4-6.

1. "A great cheer," v. 4
2. Temple instruments, vv. 5-6

III. Clap Your Hands, vv. 7-9.

1. Nature praising God, vv. 7-8
2. Our future hope, v. 9

Conclusion:

The psalmist celebrates the victory of Christ over sin and Satan. Jesus was born free of sin, free of bias. That is what sets Him apart from all other men. When He comes back, He will reign with equity—no bias, no favoritism, no off-center judgment. No wonder the psalmist urges us to sing a new song!