Speaking to One Another in Psalms

(Psalm 29)

Introduction: 1. Throughout the year, we will be examining several of the Psalms.

- 2. This series will not be done on consecutive weeks but will be scattered throughout the year.
- 3. The book of Psalms has much to say in principle about how we should live and praise God.
- 4. Today, we will be pointing out some lessons from Psalm 29.

I. God is Worthy of Worship

- A. (Psalm 29:1-2).
- B. The "mighty ones" or "sons of God" probably refer to angelic beings in this passage (Psalm 29:1).
 - 1. Though they are a higher order than we (Psalm 8:5), they are expected to praise God, and do (Psalm 148:2).
 - 2. Would not the implication be that if greater beings than we bow down before him, we should, too?
- C. We praise what we prize.
- D. There is no danger of praising God too much, our danger is not praising him enough.
- E. Worship him in the beauty of holiness, not the holiness of beauty (Psalm 29:2).

II. God's Word is Powerful

- A. (Psalm 29:3-9).
- B. The power of God's word is illustrated in creation (Genesis 1; John 1:1-3).
- C. God's word is more powerful than the waters (Psalm 29:3-4).
- D. God's word is more powerful than the mountains (Psalm 29:5-7).
- E. God's word is more powerful than the wilderness (Psalm 28:8-9).

III. God is Sovereign Over All

- A. (Psalm 29:10-11).
- B. If there were ever an event that demonstrated the power and sovereignty of God, would it not be the Noahic flood (Genesis 6-8).
- C. While the world was in chaos, God was on his throne and giving strength to his people (Psalm 29:11).
- D. But not only does he give strength, he gives peace (Psalm 29:11).

Conclusion: 1. Let us be a people who praise the Lord!

- 2. Let us mean what we sing and let us proclaim God's glory to the world around us.
- 3. Remember, we praise what we prize.