

Eternal God & Mortal Man
Psalm 90
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Thesis: I want to show what we can learn from comparing God's eternal nature to man's mortal nature on earth.

- Intro:
1. God is eternal, as we see in the Bible.
 2. Man is mortal, unless Christ returns first, all will see death.
 3. What can we learn from God's eternal nature & man's mortal nature?

I. The Eternal Creator (v.1-4)

- A. His identity (v.1-3)
1. From beginning to end God will always be God (v.1-2)
 2. You drive men to repentance (v.3)
- B. His immortality (v.4): To God 1000 years are as:
1. Yesterday
 2. A watch (or a few hours)

II. Mortal Man (v.5-17)

- A. The problems (v.5-11)
1. The shortness (5-6,10)
 - a. The comparison (v.5-6)
 - i. Our lives are as grass, fresh at sunrise, withered and dry at sunset.
 - b. The count (v.10)
 - i. We are given an average of 70 years.
 2. The sinfulness (v.7-8)
 - a. God sees all our iniquities, both secret and open
 3. The sorrow (v.9-11)
 - a. Our days are include pain and trouble, and chastisement from God when necessary.
- B. The fourfold petition (v.12-17)
1. Teach us (v.12)
 - a. "So teach us" – in view of all these things, teach us...
 - b. That we might make the most of our time and grow in wisdom
 2. Satisfy us (v.13-15)
 - a. That we might know God's love, sing for joy, and see God's miracles again
 3. Sanctify our children (v.16)
 - a. That they might see God's glory at work
 4. Make us successful (v.17)
 - a. That God might approve us.

III. Lessons for us today.

- A. God's eternal nature means He is always available
1. Consider this...
"God has never known defeat.

*He never becomes exhausted.
He never gives up.
He never walks away.
He never becomes overwhelmed.
He continues to uplift the downtrodden.
He continues rescuing the lost
He continues cleansing the filthy.
Day after Day He is God.”*

2. Psalm 139:7-12

B. Mortal man needs the eternal God

1. The only way man enjoys eternity is with God (**Jn 14:1-3**)
 - a. God & His Son wants man to dwell with them for eternity as eternal creatures enjoying the peace and joy only found in Heaven.
2. At the time of Lazarus' death Christ reminded Martha of things concerning life eternal (**Jn 11:17-27; v.26**)

Application & Conclusion:

1. Man will always need God.
 - a. Thankfully, God is always there for man who so desperately needs Him.
2. The wise man will seek to learn about God in order to live with Him eternally one day.
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9