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SAMUEL

THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

OF GOD, BEAUTY, AND MUSIC – PART 2

PSALM 30:4

**Psa. 30:4, “Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.”**

**Eph. 5:18, “And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,**

**Eph. 5:19, “speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,**

**Eph. 5:20, “giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,”**

**Col. 3:16, “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, in all wisdom ~~x~~ resulting in teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”**

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**pres act part masc**  
**plur nom**  
**expresses result**  
  
**to teach, instruct,**  
**aims at the mind**  
**rather than the will**  
**or emotions**

**ἐν πάσῃ σοφίᾳ**  
***en pase sophia***

**with (in association with) all**  
**wisdom,**  
**with reference to all wisdom,**  
**in the sphere of all wisdom**

**Modifies “teaching and**  
**admonishing”**

**Col. 3:16, “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, in all wisdom resulting in teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.” [~RD]**

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**νουθετέω *noutheteō*  
pres act part masc  
plur nom**

**to warn, admonish,  
correct, encourage,  
urge,  
Instruction aimed at  
challenging the will.**

# **Three views of beauty**

- 1. The objective or formal theory: beauty is inherent in reality; inherent in God.**
- 2. The subjective (emotional or psychological) theory: beauty is in the eye of the beholder.**
- 3. The relational theory: objective beauty brings forth a subjective response.**

# Ancient Greek Philosophy

1. **Symmetry**

2. **Proportion**

3. **Harmony**

***aurea mediocritas* the golden mean**

# **Other definitions**

**1. Truth**

**2. Beauty**

**3. Harmony**

# **Modern refinements**

- 1. Unity or integrity of the parts to the whole.**
- 2. Proportion or harmony, orderly and harmonious relation and arrangement of the parts.**
- 3. Splendor: glorious, magnificent, without monotony or chaos.**

**Ugly is the opposite of beauty**

**A lack of unity**

**A lack of form, order, and harmony**

**Chaotic**







**Ecc. 3:11, “He has made everything  
beautiful in its time.”**

**יָפֵה *yāpeh* beautiful**

- 1. The Bible uses a number of terms to express the beauty and excellence of God. These terms establish God as *THE* standard of beauty.**

**Thus—**

**God possesses *intrinsic* beauty, which is the standard of all excellence, splendor, magnificence, beauty, and glory.**

# **Intrinsic beauty**

**Beauty that is inherent *in* something, independent of a response produced.**

**A response produced relates to the subjective aspect, that may be tainted by corruption in a fallen world and a fallen culture.**

# **Scripture Words Which Describe Aesthetic Excellence:**

**Glorious**

**Magnificent**

**Majestic**

**Splendid**

**Beautiful**

**Excellent**

## **Biblical terms to express the Beauty and Glory of God**

**טוֹב (*tôb*) Good, pleasant, beautiful, delightful, glad, joyful, precious, correct, righteous. Gen. 6:2, 24:16**

**יָפָה (*yāphâ*) be fair, beautiful, handsome. Gen. 12:11, 12:14**

**צְבִי (*ṣ<sup>e</sup>bî*) beauty, splendor, magnificent. Ezek. 20:6**

**הִדָּר (*hādar*) honor, adorn, glorify. 2 Chron. 20:21**

# **Key Scriptures on God's Beauty**

**2 Chron. 20:21, “And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who should sing to the LORD, and who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army and were saying: ‘Praise the LORD, for His mercy endures forever.’ ”**

**הַדָּרָה *hadārāh*: “adornment, glory”**

**1 Chron. 16:29, “Give to the LORD the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him. Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness!”**

**Psa. 29:2, “Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.”**

**1 Chron. 16:26**, “For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the Lord made the heavens.

**1 Chron. 16:27**, “Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and gladness are in His place.

**1 Chron. 16:28**, “Give to the Lord, O families of the peoples, Give to the Lord glory and strength.”

**הַדְּוָה *hedwāh*: A feminine noun denoting joy, gladness. The dwelling place of the Lord is the place of joy and gladness (1 Chron. 16:27).**

**Psa. 96:6**, “Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.”

**תִּפְאֶרֶת (*tip'eret*), beauty, glory**

**Psa. 29:2, “Give [Ascribe], unto the LORD  
the glory due to His name; Worship the  
LORD in the beauty of holiness.”**

**Job 40:9, (God speaking) “Have you an arm like God? Or can you thunder with a voice like His?”**

**Job 40:10, “Then adorn yourself with majesty and splendor, and array yourself with glory and beauty.”**

**הַדָּר (hādār) splendor, honor**

**Psa. 33:1**, “Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is **beautiful**.” [נְאֻוְהָ (*na'weh*) beautiful, lovely]

**Psa. 90:17**, “And let the **beauty** of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, establish the work of our hands.” [נְעִיֵם (*nā'eim*) be pleasant, sweet, delightful, beautiful]

**Psa. 104:1, “Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor and majesty,”**

**Psa. 147:1, “Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; For it is pleasant, and praise is beautiful.” [נְעִים (nā‘ēm) be pleasant, sweet, delightful, beautiful.]**

**Psa. 45:2, “You are fairer than the sons of men; Grace is poured upon Your lips; Therefore God has blessed You forever.**

**Psa. 45:3, “Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One, with Your glory and Your majesty.**

**Psa. 45:4, “And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and righteousness; And Your right hand shall teach You awesome things.”**

**יפה *yaphah* Hpealal perf 2 masc sing to be beautiful**

**Psa. 8:1, “O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth, who have set Your glory above the heavens!”**

**Psa. 8:1, “O LORD, our Lord, how magnificent [awesome, majestic] is your reputation throughout the earth! You reveal your majesty in the heavens above!” ~NET**

**Psa. 27:4, “One thing I have desired of the LORD, that will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple.”**

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**Zech. 9:16, “The LORD their God will save them in that day, as the flock of His people. For they shall be like the jewels of a crown, lifted like a banner over His land—**

**Zech. 9:17, “For how great is its goodness and how great its beauty! Grain shall make the young men thrive, and new wine the young women.”**

**Gen. 1:31, “Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good.”**

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