

How Great Thou Art
Psalm 66:1-5
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Thesis: I want to remind us of how great our God is.

- Intro: 1. How many times have you sang the song “How Great Thou Art”?
2. This song is a great reminder of how our God truly is great!

I. Wonder at His Creation (Verse 1 & 2)

A. Verse 1(**Psalm 8:3;136:5-9**)

1. Awesome defined: “*extremely impressive or daunting; inspiring great admiration, apprehension, or fear.*”
2. His power is seen throughout the earth (**Rom 1:20**, “clearly seen”)

B. Verse 2

1. These are His creation, they belong to Him (**Ps 50:10-11**)
2. The joy coming from enjoying nature reminds us where these things came from, from God (**Job 12:7-10**)

II. The Awesome Sacrifice for us (Verse 3)

A. The immense sacrifice (verse 3a)

1. Such a sacrifice is difficult to take in (**John 3:16**, “so loved the world”)
2. He came for this purpose (**Jn 12:27**)

B. He gladly bore our burdens (verse 3b)

1. Christ bore our sins because He is the GOOD shepherd (**Jn 10:11**)
2. He bled for us, He bled to save us

III. Lessons for Us Today

A. Building to the joy of Christ’s return (verse 4)

1. The coming of Christ means the Christian gets to go home (**verse 4a; Psalm 35:9**)
2. Christ’s return is what the Christian has been looking forward to (**verse 4b; 2 Pt 3:13**)

B. We rejoice and sing because of these things (Chorus)

1. We can rejoice because of His righteous dealings (**Ps 13:5-6**)

Application & Conclusion:

1. Our God truly is great!
2. Our God is worthy to be praised, to be honored and to be obeyed.
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 2:11-12, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

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

Christians must:

Repent & Pray: James 5:16, 1 John 1:9