You Are My All In All

Tony Mauck · Psalm 20:1–9

INTRODUCTION

- What is boasting? It is to speak self exalting words, self promoting words regarding our abilities, our achievements, or our possessions.
- So the proper regard of self is the key to spiritual success.
- Some boast in chariots and some in horses, but we will boast in the name of the Lord our God.

1 The Problem of Pride

- Me is not my all in all. That is bankrupt and hopeless, but he is my all and all.
- It's taking credit for ourselves for what God has done. It is relying on self and not God. It is feeling sufficiency in our own strength and not in God's.
- Instead of give us this day our daily bread, it is I have given me my daily bread.
- We must be careful that we don't become like Nebuchadnezzar.

2 The Lord Deserves the Praise for My Accomplishments

Jeremiah 9:23–24

- As we have some of these material goals, which are not wrong in and of themselves, you need to remember how you got there.
- Let not the mighty man boast of his might. And let not a rich man boast of his riches.
- But let him who boasts boast of this. That he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who exercises loving kindness, justice, and righteousness on earth, for I delight in these things.
- Have a proper perspective of your accomplishments.

3 Who Gets the Praise for My Salvation?

1 Corinthians 1:26–29; Ephesians 2:8–9; 1 Corinthians 15:10

- A man ought not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think.
- He has chosen the things that are not to nullify the things that are, that no man should boast before God.
- Not of yourselves, not the result of works. What? Lest any man should boast.
- If it wasn't for what God did, you couldn't be involved in it at all.
- He has provided the means, he's provided the knowledge, he has provided the transformation, and he has provided the hope of glory.
- By the grace of God, I am what I am.

4 God Deserves the Praise for My Service

2 Corinthians 4:5–7

- We preach not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord. Then what are we? We are bond servants for his sake.
- That the surpassing greatness of the power may be of God and not of ourselves.
- We have only been able to contribute in this way because of a merciful and empowering God. It is all about him.
- Everybody's contribution matters in this greatest cause on earth.
- Talented or not, we are only something because of him.
- May it never be that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

THE CHALLENGE

Have you come to the healing stream of the cross? Will it be the sentiment of your heart as we sing it? Jesus, keep me near the cross.

MY NOTES