

## PSALMS OF PRAYER AND PRAISE

### Psalm 29:1-11 (NASB)

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, O sons of the mighty, Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in holy array.

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; The God of glory thunders, The LORD is over many waters.

<sup>4</sup> The voice of the LORD is powerful, The voice of the LORD is majestic.

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; Yes, the LORD breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup> He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, And Sirion like a young wild ox.

<sup>7</sup> The voice of the LORD hews out flames of fire.

<sup>8</sup> The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; The LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

<sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD makes the deer to calve And strips the forests bare; And in His temple everything says, "Glory!"

<sup>10</sup> The LORD sat *as King* at the flood; Yes, the LORD sits as King forever.

<sup>11</sup> The LORD will give strength to His people; The LORD will bless His people with peace.

### Psalm 29: The Powerful Voice of God

*“Ascribe to the LORD, O sons of the mighty, Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in holy array.”* Have you ever thought that worship is giving God what He is due? How would this affect your private and corporate worship? God alone is worthy of worship since He alone is Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, Provider, Almighty, All-powerful, All-knowing, All-wise, Good, Holy, Just, and so much more.

Beginning in [verse 3](#) is a description of the revelation of God’s power. God is not “**nature**” itself, rather He is the controller of all nature. He reveals Himself in the storm and in the voice of the thunder. Then the tempest breaks. Seven times the roar of God’s voice shakes the world. The description is that of a raging hurricane. Power is displayed in the storm. How vivid are the pictures used by the psalmist! How quick we are to forget God’s awesome power. After the storm, that power is promised to be the strength of the chosen people of God. He who shakes the earth with His voice will terrify the enemies of His people. He blesses His people with the full realization of His peace. The beginning of the psalm pictures the open heavens and the throne of God. The conclusion shows us His people victorious and blessed with peace. This “shalom” is not absence of war but “**fullness of life**”; all good things, wholeness, the best of life both now and forever.