

God Reigns, We Rejoice

Psalm 97

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Enthronement Psalm

commissive =

"The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice."

reign =

God's _____ generates our _____!

How does the reign of God make me feel?

- _____ -
- _____ -
- _____ -

"Much of our difficulty as seeking Christians stems from our unwillingness to take God as He is and adjust our lives accordingly. We insist upon trying to modify Him and to bring Him nearer to our own image.... We can get a right start only by accepting God as He is and learning to love Him for what He is. As we go on to know Him better, we shall find it a source of unspeakable joy that God is just what He is."

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God's reign _____ our joy!

1. because of _____ (2-5)

A joy-generating vision of God

- _____ -
- _____ -
- _____ -
- _____ -

2. because of _____ (6-9)

"All those who serve an idol will reap _____ – who are making their boast in the _____ . Bow and worship to Him, all you gods!"

Psalm 97:7 (translated by Motyer)

How should we respond?

1. Stop trying to _____ .
"Oh you who love the Lord, hate evil!" (10)

- His love will _____ us. (10b)
- His love will plant _____ in our hearts. (11)

2. _____ in the _____. (12)

I tend to try to find joy in _____ .

I turn from this false sense of joy and trust in _____ .