

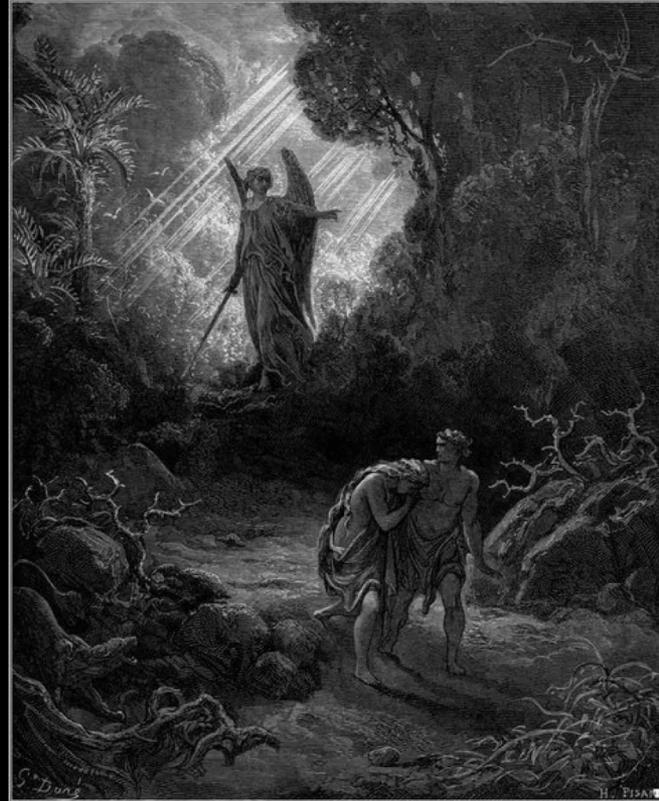
Expanding Christ's Kingdom

Psalm 67

Spiderman's Origin Story



Our Origin Story – Genesis 1-3



Psalm 67

- 1 May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face shine on us —
- 2 so that your ways may be known on earth,
your salvation among all nations.
- 3 May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.

Psalm 67

4 May the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you rule the peoples with equity
and guide the nations of the earth.

5 May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.

6 The land yields its harvest;
God, our God, blesses us.

7 May God bless us still,
so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Praying Psalm 67

We pray for God's Kingdom rule in our own lives

Numbers 6:22-27

22 The Lord said to Moses, 23 “Tell Aaron and his sons, ‘This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:

24 “““The Lord bless you
and keep you;

25 the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;

26 the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace.””

27 “So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.”

Praying Psalm 67

We pray for God's kingdom rule in the lives of those around us, and to the ends of the earth

Psalm 67: 2-4

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Living Psalm 67

We display Jesus by our holiness

We proclaim Jesus through the gospel

We act in mercy to others to show people who
Jesus is and what He is like

The Harsh Reality

We choose our comfort over our love of Christ. This keeps us from displaying, proclaiming, and acting.

The Big Questions

1. Why don't I seek God's face more?
2. Why don't I share the gospel more?
3. Why don't I show the mercy I've been shown?

The Good Samaritan



The Story Continues

As God's people, Psalm 67 is our prayer.

Psalm 67:5-7

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Matthew 6:9-10

9 “This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
10 your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Comparing Two Prayers

Psalm 67

- Be gracious to us and bless us
- Make your way known on the earth
- Let the nations be glad and sing for joy; judge with equity
- May God bless us so that all the ends of the earth may fear him

The "Our Father"

- Hallowed be your name
- Your kingdom come
- Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven

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Run to Jesus, the hero of our story.

Christ for Us

- Christ is God's face of blessing to us
- Christ is the one who makes God's ways and person fully known, in the flesh, by Word and Spirit
- Saving power is found in Christ alone
- Christ leads our praises and makes them possible
- In Christ's kingdom there is gladness and joy
- Christ rules with equity and true justice
- He is the true guide, the Good Shepherd, fully trustworthy to follow
- Christ is the ultimate blessing, the hope of the world, the hope of our sinful hearts, and the one to whom every knee in heaven and on earth and under the earth will bow.
- We get to know him and show him off as we display, proclaim, and act in his name.

Gospel Application

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy

and to walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8)

What is God calling you to do?