

THE MAJESTY OF GOD

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Webster's Dictionary describes the word *majesty* as sovereign power, authority, or dignity. Majesty is a word used in addressing or referring to reigning sovereigns and their consorts. It is a word that when spoken brings into mind royalty, greatness, and splendor of quality or character.

If you hear the words, "Her Majesty, the Queen of England" a certain picture forms in your mind and you find yourself bowing in reverence and with respect to honor the Queen. How much more should we give honor, reverence, and respect to the Majesty of the Universe? The Creator of Heaven and Earth?

Psalms 29:4 declares that the voice of the Lord is full of majesty. Psalm 93:1 declares that the Lord is clothed with majesty. Psalm 96:6 declares that honor and majesty are before the Lord and strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Psalm 145:5 urges us to meditate on the glorious splendor of God's majesty and on His wondrous works. Verse 12 of Psalm 145 tasks us with making known to the sons of men His mighty acts as well as the glorious majesty of His kingdom.

In the 5th chapter of Daniel, King Belshazzar had received a message written on the wall of his palace by a man's hand. The king was greatly troubled and sought for someone to give him the meaning of the message. When Daniel was brought into his court, he began to explain the message. "O king, the Most High God gave Nebuchadnezzar, your father, a kingdom and majesty, glory and honor. And because of the majesty that He gave him, all peoples, nations, and languages trembled and feared before him. Whomever he wished, he executed; whomever he wished, he kept alive; whomever he wished, he set up; and whomever he wished, he put down."

Daniel goes on to tell the king that he had the opportunity to learn from his father's mistakes, but didn't, and because of that failure, his fate was sealed and that very night, Belshazzar was slain.

GOD'S INTENTIONALITY TOWARDS AGLOW

In 2008, a prophetic word was spoken to the ministry of Aglow by a renowned prophetic voice, Graham Cooke. Graham began to paint a picture of a dream that is in the Father's heart – a dream that it would 'be with us on earth as it is in heaven.' It is a dream where people come together to have encounters with God, a place where we have His Word written on our hearts and not simply memorized in our head. God's dream is that who He is, affects us in such a profound way that we are totally vulnerable and susceptible to Heaven.

In God's dream, He sees us as a community of people in the earth that are just like Him – unchangeable, unshakeable, and unstoppable – and who live from a place where there are no limits, no walls, and no boundaries. We are a community, a movement who is to be like Him - loving, intentional, kind, and generous. And to be like Him, we must press in for greater revelation of His nature

TODAY'S PURPOSE

The purpose of this session on the majesty of God is to help us in our upgrade of seeing God with new eyes. It is designed to bring a revelation that will restore us to our rightful place in the kingdom by seeing who God really is –seeing, experiencing, and *knowing* the vastness of His greatness and His majesty, His kindness and His goodness. In order to be the company, the tribe, the prototype in the earth that is needed for the end times, we must allow Him to expand in us who He is. As we behold His majesty, we will be forever changed. What an exciting journey!

In Evangeline Weiner's book, *The Calling of a Generation*, she said, "Seek the face of the Lord until you are so pregnant with His Presence and so changed into His image that the world is changed – because when they see you, they see Him." It is time for us to trade in what we have known about God, for what God wants to reveal to us about Himself. As our revelation of God increases, we are going to see new truths that will absolutely shake our world. We are going to be so caught up in who He is; we will live from a place of astonishment. We are going to be amazed and confounded by the glory and majesty of God.

In God's dream, He is looking for a group of people, a tribe, a company to deposit revelation about Himself that will shake the earth and cause Him to come down. It will be impossible for us to have an encounter with Him and not become like Him.

Nebuchadnezzar was given a kingdom that was filled with majesty, glory, and honor. If he had walked in uprightness, people would have seen something about God never before known, but he didn't. He used it for his own selfish purposes, drawing the glory due God to himself. Rather

than the people being drawn to God's glory revealed through the king, they shrank back in fear, knowing he had the power and authority to kill or let live whomever he pleased. This was a major abuse of God's power and authority and not what He intended to be shown forth in the earth.

As the corporate ministry of Aglow spanning the globe, we have the awesome opportunity to allow God's majesty, glory, power, and authority to unfold in the earth in such a way that our nations live in awestruck wonder of who God is. In his book, *The Attributes of God – A Journey into the Father's Heart*, A. W. Tozer said, "The Church will come out of her doldrums when we find out that *salvation* is not a light bulb only, that it is not an insurance policy against hell only, but that it *is a gateway into God*, and that God is all that we would have and can desire."

In Aglow, we have received the promises of God. We have experienced the power of God. His Presence goes with us into nations. We walk in alignment with His prophetic purposes for us. It is time for us to *know* the Person of God. Intimately. Up close and personal. We want God to invade our space! And we want to invade His.

Before we begin to explore the attributes of God, let's give the Holy Spirit full permission to open our eyes to really see and hear Spirit truths. Ask the Holy Spirit to go the deep parts of your heart and to remove old ways of thinking that would in any way hinder you from receiving all God is doing in this day. Choose to see truth when it is revealed. Choose to be willing to go to new places with the Lord.