

“MAJESTY”
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***Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory
and the majesty (1 Chronicles 29:11)***

“Majesty” is a particular attribute of royalty. God bestowed on Solomon such “royal majesty as had not seen on any king before him in Israel” (1 Chronicles 29:25). King Nebuchadnezzar spoke of the “excellent majesty” that God had given him (Daniel 4:36; 5:18-19). The Persian king Ahasuerus (Xerxes I) showed off the “splendor of his excellent majesty” (Esther 1:4).

Our God, as the “blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords” (1 Timothy 6:15), is appropriately described as majestic: “Honor and majesty are before Him” (1 Chronicles 16:27; Psalm 96:6); “With God is awesome majesty” (Job 37:22); “The voice of the Lord is full of majesty” (Psalm 29:4); “He is clothed with majesty” (Psalm 93:1; cf. 104:1); “I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty” (Psalm 145:5, 12); “The glory of His majesty” (Isaiah 2:10, 19, 21); “The Majesty on high/in the heavens” (Hebrews 1:3; 8:1). How awesome, grand, splendid, and magnificent our God is!

When Jesus cast a demon out of a boy, those who witnessed it “were all amazed at the majesty of God” (Luke 9:43). Peter declared that the apostles were “eyewitnesses of His majesty” at the transfiguration (2 Peter 1:16-18). Jesus embodied and demonstrated divine majesty in His words and works.

We see the marvelous majesty of Christ in His word today. When we, as His people, look into His glorious covenant and live by it, we will be “transformed” to reflect the glory of the Lord (2 Corinthians 3:18). Let us rejoice in our King and obey His will so that we may reflect His glorious majesty in our daily lives.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and Mighty!
God over all, and blest eternally.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Tho’ the darkness hide Thee,
Tho’ the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow’r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and Mighty!
God over all, and blest eternally.

—Reginald Heber
