

Man Honoured Above Angels

by John Newton

John Newton's sermon explores the unique honor of humanity in God's plan of redemption, emphasizing our relationship with Jesus and the privilege of worshiping Him.

Scripture: Psalm 8:4, 1 Corinthians 13:1, Hebrews 2:16, 1 Peter 1:12, Revelation 5:11

Topics: "Divine Love", "Worship"

Description

John Newton preaches about the unique privilege sinners have to address their King in songs that even angels cannot sing, emphasizing the depth of Jesus' sacrifice for humanity. He highlights how Jesus, surpassing the angels, took on human form to save fallen man, making it possible for us to have a closer relationship with God than even the angels. Newton expresses awe at the disparity between the immense love we receive from God and our often lukewarm response, urging for a deeper, more heartfelt praise. He eagerly anticipates the glorious hour when freed from sin, we will worship and praise God in a way that surpasses even the angels.

Transcript

Now let us join with hearts and tongues,

And emulate the angels' songs;

Yea, sinners may address their King

In songs that angels cannot sing.

They praise the Lamb who once was slain;

But we can add a higher strain;

Not only say, "He suffer'd thus,

"But that he suffer'd all for us."

When angels by transgression fell,

Justice consign'd them all to hell;

But Mercy form'd a wondrous plan,
To save and honour fallen man.
Jesus, who pass'd the angels by,
Assum'd our flesh to bleed and die;
And still he makes it his abode;
As man he fills the throne of God.
Our next of kin, our Brother now,
Is he to whom the angels bow;
They join with us to praise his name,
But we the nearest int'rest claim.
But, ah! how faint our praises rise!
Sure, 'tis the wonder of the skies,
That we, who share his richest love,
So cold and unconcern'd should prove.
Oh, glorious hour, it comes with speed!
When we, from sin and darkness freed,
Shall see the God who died for man,
And praise him more than angels can.

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