SHOUT TO THE LORD

Psalm 96 June 7, 2020

When Christians raise their voices, what is the message that should be heard?

Historical Setting: I Chronicles 16; Moving the Ark to Jerusalem.

Textual Setting: Psalm 91-99; Yahweh Reigns as King.

Practical Message:

When Christians raise their voices, the message that should be heard is one that <u>BLESSES</u> the Sovereign Lord.

I. A Shout of **PRAISE** for what He has done.

Psalm 96:1-6

He has

- A. **CREATED** this world and
- B. **<u>REDEEMED</u>** people from all nations.
- II. A Shout of **CONFIDENCE** for what He *is* doing.

Psalm 96:7-10a

He is

<u>REIGNING</u> in our present world.

III. A Shout of **WARNING** for what He will do.

Psalm 96:10b-13

He will come and

A. **JUDGE** The Nations.

B. **RESTORE** The Earth.

Since God reigns,

we can agree with Alan Redpath,
former pastor of Moody Church in Chicago
who wrote:

"There is nothing

no circumstance, no trouble, not testing –
 that can ever touch me, until first of all,
 it is gone past God and past Christ,
 right through to me.

If it has come that far, is has come with great purpose, which I may not understand at the moment.

But as I refuse to become panicky,
as I lift up my eyes to Him and accept it
as coming from the throne of God
as some great purpose of blessing
to my own heart

no sorrow will ever disturb me,
no trial will ever disarm me,
no circumstance will cause me to fret

for I shall rest in the joy of what the Lord is.

That is the rest of victory."

From "Victorious Christian Living" (Fleming H. Revell, 1955)