## Psalm 8

Psalm 8:1 - "who hast set thy glory above the heavens."

The builders of the Tower of Babel were trying to defiantly "pierce heaven." But God is above the heavens.

Psalm 8:2 - "Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength"

In contrast to the pride of the builders of the Tower of Babel, this psalm shows God works only through the simple innocent faith of children.

Compare **Isaiah 28:9-11** - "Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. "

(Referring to the invading Babylonians through which God "spoke" to Israel in his chastisement, but this was spiritually fulfilled on Pentecost, and referenced by Paul as pointing to the spiritual gift of tongues).

**Matthew 18:3-4** - And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

In contrast to the false unity the Tower builders were striving for, Jesus says:

**Matthew 18:19** - "Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven."

True prayer is contrasted with human effort (*aven* - self-exertion).