

CONFIRMATION WORSHIP NOTES

Name: _____

Date: _____

How have you learned about the creation of the world?

What words would you use to describe the way God made the universe?

Why is your belief in God as Creator important?

What questions do you have for the pastor?

Confirmation Sermon Notes

Sermon Series: This I Believe.

Sermon Title: Maker of Heaven and Earth

Text: Psalm 33

Write down the Next Step for this week:

Study Guide

What do you hear from friends, neighbors, or co-workers about how this beautiful world came to be?

How have you learned about God as the Creator?

Read Psalm 33 out loud, slowly.

Verses 1-5 are a call to worship; what descriptions of elements of worship are included?

Why is the psalmist thankful and responding in worship?

How do these lines teach about God?

Verses 6-9 are focused on God's creative making of the universe.

Which words/phrases communicate most clearly to you about God making the heavens and earth?

How is the word "fear" helpful in giving you a good understanding of the nature of God?

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In the book of Job, God speaks and provides Job with perspective by asking questions relating to how God created the world.

Read Job 38 and consider each question God asks.

In what way(s) do these questions help you relate to God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

Read Psalm 33:9 again. Sit with this reality for a bit.

Why is worship the most fitting response?

Verses 10-19 describe the Lord and people in relationship.

What descriptions bring comfort?

What descriptions are a warning?

What descriptions communicate the Law?

What descriptions communicate the Gospel?

How have you seen these verses used appropriately?

Have you ever seen these verses abused? If so, how?

Verses 20-22 conclude the psalm with hope.

Why do you think the psalmist writes of the response of our soul *and* the response of our heart?

How is it different for your soul to "wait for the Lord" and your heart to "be glad in him"?

In what way(s) are these responses similar?

If you were to re-write Ps. 33:22 in your own words, how would you keep the focus on God's steadfast love?

Re-read Psalm 33 pausing each time there is a description of who God is or what God does.

Write or share a brief reflection about your understanding of God as the maker of heaven and earth.

Who could you engage in conversation with about God making the earth?

What does it look like to fear the Lord in response to Him creating everything with His words?

Do you have questions about God after studying Psalm 33?

If so, what are they?

Next Steps: Tell someone your faith story connected to your belief in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Next Week's Scripture: Acts 4:5-22