## LETTING GOD BE GOD

ELLIOTTSVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Introduction

- A. Text: Psa. 100:1-3.
- B. In our relationship to God, there is no attitude more important than reverence.
- C. It is our attempt at self-rule that has gotten us into trouble Gen. 3:1-6; Rom. 1:21; Exo. 5:2; Lk. 22:42; Jn. 6:38.
- D. We must gratefully acknowledge God's sovereignty over us and let God be God. This involves three attributes of heart.

## I. HUMILITY

- A. Obsessed with ourselves, the worship of God becomes little more than the worship of our own desires. **2 Tim. 4:3,4**; **Gen. 4:3-8; Heb. 11:4**; **Mal. 3:13,14**.
- B. But God does not exist for our pragmatic purposes.
- C. "Beware of the inclination to dictate to God what consequences you would allow as a condition of your obedience to Him" (Oswald Chambers).
- D. We must be willing to take orders, not give them 1 Sam. 3:10; Lk. 1:38.

## II. CONFIDENCE

- A. We need to rest our complete trust and confidence in the fact of God's sovereignty over His creation **1 Pt. 4:19**.
- B. Too often we worry, fret, and labor trying to govern the course of events that concern us. **Job 38:1-4; Job 42:1-6.**
- C. How liberating it is to "relax" and let God take care of running the universe!

## III. CONTENTMENT

A. We must grow to the point where God is:

- 1. Our center, the absolute ground of our personal security and significance **Gal. 2:20**.
- 2. The complete source of our adequacy 2 Cor. 3:4,5.
- 3. The One Thing we truly have to have, the Only Thing we cannot do without **Phil. 1:21.**
- B. Phil. 4:6,7,11-13.

Conclusion: Psa. 100:3