PSALM

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Refrain Holiness Praise

Writer not named · Book IV · The LORD Reigns

PICTURE WORD
Cherubim

IN ONE SENTENCE



he holy LORD reigns in Zion, loves justice, answered Moses and Aaron, forgave his people, and calls us to worship him.

Remember it: Ninety-nine: holy, holy, holy, the King among the cherubim answers when called.

MEMORY VERSE

Exalt Yahweh, our God. Worship at his holy hill, for Yahweh, our God, is holy!

Psalm 99:9 · World English Bible

HEBREW WORD

קָדוֹשׁ

"holy" · verse 3

In the Psalms: fifteen times, in 11 psalms

קָדוֹשׁ means holy, set apart, utterly other than anything made. The refrain "He is Holy!" sounds three times here, much like the angels' threefold "Holy" in Isaiah 6. Yet this holy God answers when his people call and forgives them. Holiness here draws near; it does not stay away.

HOW THE PSALM MOVES

1–3	The LORD reigns among the cherubim; he is holy.
4–5	The mighty King loves justice; worship at his footstool.
6–9	He answered Moses, Aaron, and Samuel, forgave, and is holy.

MY NOTES

Listen. Hear Psalm 99 sung in the **Psalm Song** app, or free at **ispress.de/psalms/99**.

Cantillated. Sung: chanted back and forth between a leader and the people.

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FILL IN THE BLANKS

The _____ LORD reigns in Zion, loves _____, answered Moses and Aaron, _____ his people, and calls us to worship him.

CHECK YOURSELF

1. Where does the LORD sit enthroned?

- (A) On the seas
- (B) Among the cherubim
- (C) On Mount Sinai
- (D) In the clouds of Bashan

2. Who is named among those who call on his name?

- (A) Elijah
- (B) Joshua
- (C) Samuel
- (D) Isaiah

3. How did God speak to Moses and Aaron?

- (A) In the pillar of cloud
- (B) In a dream
- (C) By a prophet
- (D) Through the king

TALK IT OVER

1. Where does the psalm cry "He is holy," and what reason stands beside each cry?

2. Verse 8 says God forgave yet also punished their deeds. How do both fit together in God?

3. How should God's holiness shape the way we worship on Sunday?

IN YOUR OWN WORDS: WHAT DOES PSALM 99 TEACH?

- ☐ I listened to the song
- ☐ I can say what it teaches
- ☐ I can say verse 9 by heart
- ☐ I know the picture word

Answers Blanks: holy · justice · forgave · Check yourself: 1. B (v. 1) · 2. C (v. 6) · 3. A (v. 7)