### "COMFORT FOOD" Series - Joy & Thanksgiving Message #3 of 6

#### "THE LORD IS GREAT"

The Lord our God is so great that he formed us, redeems us, sustains us, gives us perfect rest, and blesses us with the greatest joy and thanksgiving a person could ever desire.

Psalm 95 October 21, 2018

## **1. WHAT?** – "*COME TO THE LORD*" (v.1-2)

"<u>To</u>" the Lord"
"<u>To</u> the Rock of our salvation"

- "Sing for joy / Shout aloud" -
- "Come with thanksgiving" -
- "Extol (praise enthusiastically) with music and song" -

# 2. WHY? - "FOR THE LORD IS THE GREAT GOD" (v.3-5)

- "The Lord is the great God & King" -
- "Above all gods" -
- He formed, holds, owns the earth, mountains, sea & land

"In the beginning was the Word (Jesus), and the Word (Jesus), was with God, and the Word (Jesus), was God. He (Jesus), was with God in the beginning. Through him (Jesus), all things were made; without him (Jesus), nothing was made that has been made." – John 1:1-3

"In the total expanse of human life there is not a single square inch of which the CHRIST, who alone is sovereign, does not declare, 'That is mine.'" - Abraham Kuyper

#### 3. WHERE? – "BEFORE THE LORD OUR MAKER" (v.6-7a)

- Worship / Kneel down "before" the Lord our Maker
- *In* his pasture
- *Under* his care

"Every person, religious or not, is worshipping something to get their worth." – Timothy Keller

## **4.** <u>WHEN?</u> – "<u>*TODAY*</u>" (v.7b-9)

- Hear God's voice
- Open your heart
- Now

"Why do you **quarrel** with me and put the Lord to the **test**?" – Exodus 17:2b

• "Manasseh" = "quarrel" / "Meribah" = "test"

### **5. <u>HOW?</u>** – "*KNOW GOD'S WAYS*" (v.10)

- Hearts that go astray
- Minds that don't know

What are we to know?

"The Lord is our God and we are the people of his pasture, under His care." – Ps. 95:7

### 6. WHO? – "US, ENTERING GOD'S REST" (v.11)

"See to it, my friends, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called 'Today', so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness." – Hebrews 3:12-1