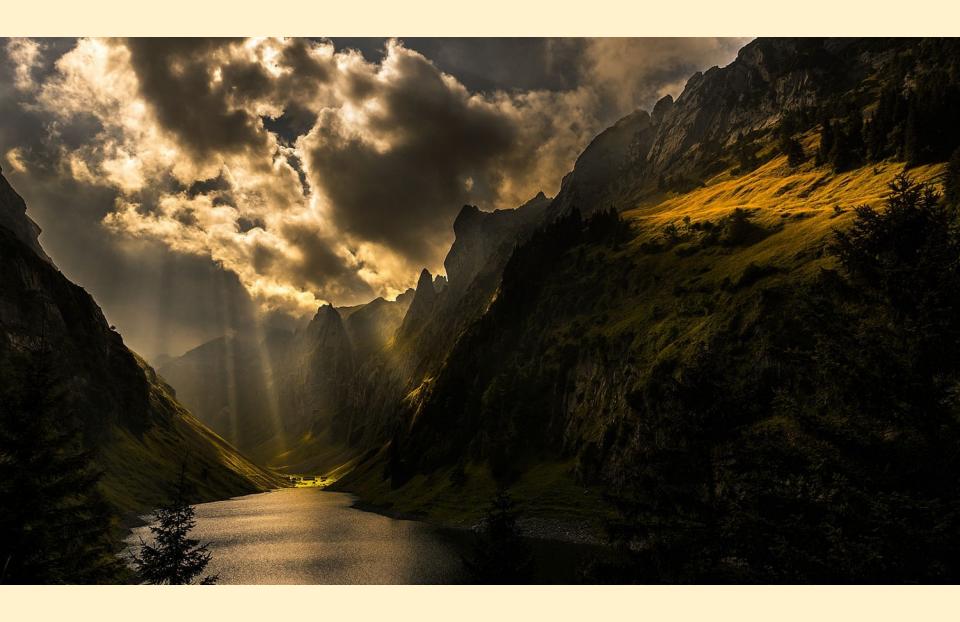


Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like peals of thunder shouting "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us REJOICE and BE GLAD and give him glory!" (Revelation 19:6-7)

### God Almighty REIGNS!

For every individual person, this truth is either <u>alarming</u> or <u>consoling</u>!







Those who are enemies of God would like to REVERSE this REALITY.

Some **scoff**. Some **detest**. Some **fight**.

- Scoffers DENIAL of God's power, providence, or [even] existence
- Protesters HATRED and RESENTMENT against God's laws and his very Being
- Fighters FIGHT AGAINST any suggestion or acknowledgement of God (on earth)

# BIBLE > This is absolute/extreme **foolishness**

(Psalm 2) Nations conspire [against the Lord] ... people plot ... rulers huddle ... Kings protest ... "Let us break the chains and throw off the fetters [of God]".

### THE ONE ENTHRONED IN HEAVEN LAUGHS ...

Those who are friends of God REJOICE in his REIGN.

Some wait. Some worry. Some weep.

- Longing for righteousness, justice, and peace to prevail (waiting)
- **Discouraged** with the trajectory of morals and standards (worrying)
- Troubled by failures, disappointments, and shattered dreams (weeping)

# BIBLE > God WILL (someday) **REMOVE** "the curse".

No longer will there be any curse ... They will see his face and his name will be on their foreheads ... They will reign forever and ever. (Revelation 22:3-5)

### FRIENEMY?

Some believe they can <u>worship</u> the Lord who reigns and still <u>withhold</u> the passion of their heart for their own self centered pursuits. They are misled.

In fantasy? Yes In fact? No

"He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters" *Matthew 12:30, NIV* 

Anyone who isn't helping me is opposing me, and anyone who isn't working with me is working against me. *Matthew 12:30 NLT* 

In God's reality, he is SOVEREIGN. Every person either <u>rejoices</u> or <u>resists</u>. No other options are available.

