



## Dinosaurs, Worship, and Glory

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**TODAY'S READING:** Psalm 104

I was going to try to summarize this Psalm, but instead I will just quote the legendary British pastor and theologian Charles Spurgeon. *"The Psalm gives an interpretation to the many voices of nature, and sings sweetly both of creation and providence. The poem contains a complete cosmos: sea and land, cloud and sunlight, plant and animal, light and darkness, life, and death, are all proved to be expressive of the presence of the Lord."* Church, if you are not familiar with Spurgeon, please read *Spurgeon: A new Biography* by Arnold Dallimore. Also check out any of his commentaries or sermons as he is considered by many (including me) to be one of the greatest pastors who ever lived.

I want to highlight a few things that stood out to me in the passage.

1. The phrase *"Bless the Lord O my soul"* appears three times in the chapter and in other places in the Psalms. This phrase means we should worship God with our whole being. John 4:24 commands us to worship God in spirit and truth! We should worship God out of a genuine love for him and what he has done for us while conforming our lives to the truth we see revealed in all of scripture.
2. Psalm 104:26 talks about the "Leviathan" which is also referenced in Job 40, Job 41, Job 3, Psalm 74, and Isaiah 27. This is interesting to me because I am fascinated with the historical accuracy of the Bible in all things. Since I do not believe in evolution or even theistic evolution, it is interesting to me that some pastors, theologians, and scholars of church history and today agree this may be describing a dinosaur. For more on this, check out an article by *Answers in Genesis* called, "Drawing out the Biblical Leviathan."
3. Psalm 104:34 says, *"May my meditation be pleasing to him."* Do your thoughts glorify God even when you are seemingly doing nothing? Do the desires of your heart align with God's will for your life revealed to us through scripture?

When we think about God creating the universe and sustaining all of His creation, this should fill us with awe and wonder! Not only does this God love us, but He sent His son to die for us. May our lives be used to glorify Him in all we say and do today.

**PRAYER:** God, give me a desire for Your Word each day and put in me a spirit of thankfulness. Help me to respond to who You are with worship and use me as Your creation to glorify You. May my meditation be pleasing to You today for You are worthy.

**TOMORROW'S READING:** Daniel 9

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