

God Our Home
9/11 Tenth Anniversary
Psalm 90
Sermon Outline

Introduction: 9/11 shook our world. Many of the events of Moses' life shook his world too. Looking back Moses prayed, "So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom" (Psalm 90:12). What does wisdom teach us as we reflect on 9/11?

I) Nothing is permanent

vv. 3-6: You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!"⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as, a watch in the night.⁵ You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning:⁶ in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

II) Evil is real and closer than we think

vv. 7-11: For we are brought to an end by your anger; by your wrath we are dismayed.⁸ You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.⁹ For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.¹⁰ The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.¹¹ Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you?

III) Goodness is real and costly

vv. 13-17: Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants!¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.¹⁵ Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil.¹⁶ Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.¹⁷ Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

IV) God is home

vv. 1-2: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.² Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.