

## Prayer?

Please list your prayer requests with detailed information of people in need. Thank you!

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## Sermon Notes.

**Speaker:** Leland Brown, Discipleship Pastor

**Message:** Praise for God's Ways

**Text:** Psalm 33

**Big Idea:** God's sovereign and lovely ways inspire His people's trust and praise.

### 1. Praise is Fitting (vv. 1-3)

*"Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright."* Psalm 33:1

- This praise is loud (vv. 1 & 3) and skillful (vv. 2-3).
- Our singing is revealing.

### 2. ...Because God's Sovereignty is Lovely (vv. 4-19)

*"To discuss the sovereignty of God is to discuss the lordship of God—that is, to discuss the Godness of God, the qualities that make him to be God."* John Frame

#### His Sovereign and Lovely Word (vv. 4-9)

*"For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness."* Psalm 33:4

*"Words create worlds."* Unknown

#### His Sovereign and Lovely Plans (vv. 10-12)

*"The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!"* Psalm 33:11

#### His Sovereign and Lovely Sight (vv. 13-19)

*"Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine."* Psalm 33:18

### 3. ...So Trust is Possible (vv. 20-22)

*"Our soul waits for the Lord, He is our help and shield."* Psalm 33:20

*"When you go through a trial, the sovereignty of God is the pillow upon which you lay your head."* Charles Spurgeon

*"Understood in this way, the doctrine of creation and providence is rich in encouragement and comfort. There is so much in life that is oppressive and that robs us of the strength to live and to act. There are the adversities and disappointments which we meet on life's way. There are those terrible calamities and disasters which sometimes cause hundreds and thousands of lives to be lost in nameless anguish. But life in its ordinary course also can sometimes raise doubts in the mind about the providence of God. Is not mystery the portion of mankind?"*

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## Sermon.

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*"...But then the despondent Chrisitan by faith in God's creation and providence again raises his head up high. No devil, but God, the Almighty, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, created the world...Once He had created it, He did not let it go. By His almighty and omnipresent power He sustains it. He governs and rules all things in such a way that they all cooperate and all converge upon the purposes He has established."* Herman Bavinck

### QUESTIONS:

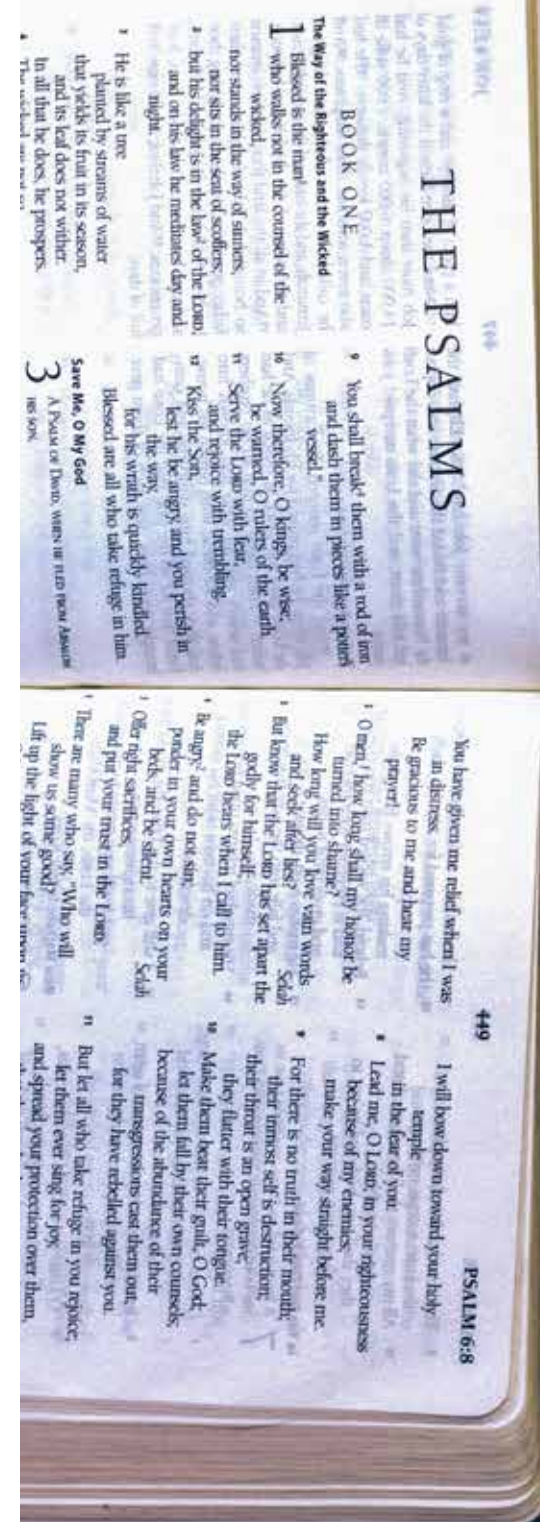
1. Why is singing a "fitting" thing for God's people to do? What does a reluctance to sing in corporate worship reveal?
2. Do you have any problems with the sovereignty of God (His good rule over all things)? Was there anything in Psalm 33 that helped you with these problems?
3. Why is the sovereignty of God *"the pillow upon which you lay your head"* when you go through difficulties and trials?



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# Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop anyone with a name-tag and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

**Traditional Worship and Classes**  
Sanctuary 9:30am & 11:00am

**Contemporary Worship and Classes**  
Worship Center 9:30am & 11:00am

# Ways to Give.

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**Give via text** by texting the word "GIVE" to 843-202-4848.

# Get to Know.

**David Kornegay**

## ELDER ON THE CLASSES TEAM

Through the influence of his parents and attending a crusade, David surrendered his life to Christ at the age of 11. He first attended ECBC in 1985 and returned in 2010 after moving away for a time. David has served as an elder and deacon. In his free time, he enjoys going to the beach with his wife and spending time with family.



# Groups.

Connect To A Group Consistently.

## CONNECT IN A GROUP

Getting connected into a group provides a place to grow in your relationship with Jesus and be encouraged to pursue him. At East Cooper, we recognize that God created us to be in community with fellow believers and to be a family in our homes and across the generations within our church. We offer many different groups, from age and stage to groups that help you through some of life's most challenging experiences.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS** - Begin this week. Find a group online.

**GRANDMOTHERS IN PRAYER** - Tuesdays at 8:00am.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Tuesdays at 9:30am, Wednesdays at 6:30pm, or Thursdays at 6:30am.

**GRIEFSHARE** - Sundays at 11:00am.

**DIVORCECARE** - Wednesdays at 6:30pm.

**MAN2MAN** - Fridays at 6:20am.

**RE|ENGAGE** - New groups start January 17, 2024.  
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# Upcoming.

## GLOBAL IMPACT CONFERENCE

The Global Impact Conference (October 27-29) is a time when we, as a church, focus on the Great Commission and hear from missionaries from around the world. Kids Missions Festival goes alongside this conference.



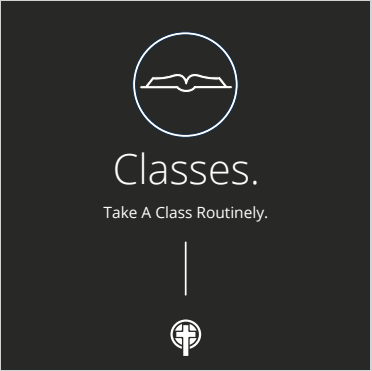
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## TAKE A CLASS

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# Hello.

9.10.23

Please complete the perforated section and take to the Welcome Desk or place in any giving box located around the church.

I/We attended worship at:

☐ 9:30am ☐ 11:00am

☐ I am a first time guest

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Preferred method of contact:

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☐ Join the Church

☐ Meet with a Pastor

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