Son of Man

Read Daniel 7:1, 9-10, 13-14

Daniel 7 records Daniel's dream, his visions of the future. Four fantastic beasts arise from the sea, each representing a different kingdom that would come and exercise authority for awhile, then pass away.

As the fourth beast is ruling and raging boastfully, the scene changes. Now Daniel sees a vision of the throne room of the universe. God, the Ancient of Days, is ruling in unearthly splendor, surrounded by vast multitudes.

Then Daniel witnesses a stunning, almost unbelievable sight. Into this highest, holiest heaven, a human being, a "son of man," arrives on the clouds and is led into the presence of the Ancient of Days. He is given glory, sovereign authority, and eternal power over all people on earth.

Imagine: a "son of man", a human being, a member of our rebellious race, is gloriously escorted into God's holy presence and given sovereign, universal authority that will never pass away.

While Jesus walked this earth, what was His favorite designation for Himself? It was "Son of Man". This eternal, glorious, divine Being, who had been in the Father's presence from the beginning, chose to refer to Himself as the "Son of Man". He gladly embraced His humanity. He willingly shared our suffering and our curse of death, knowing that when He returned to the Father's presence, He would bring a countless train of redeemed human beings with Him.

When He is finally crowned, we will be there. We will reign with Him and share His magnificence and His glory. Never again will anyone say, "I am only human". Our curse will be gone forever.

Father,
Creator,
Sovereign Savior,
thank You for all that we are becoming in Jesus Christ!

Hymn: <u>See All That Human Can Be</u>

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