

(Topics, Lead-in, and Lead-in Devotional Reading below)

Psalm 36

Unison
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1. With - out You, O God, we are self - ish and vain,
2. But Fa - ther, Your truth and Your un - fail - ing love
3. Lord, You are the foun - tain, the source and the sea
4. We turn from the dark - ness and look up to You,

Con - sumed with our glo - ry, our com - fort, our gain.
En - gulf all the vast - ness of heav - en a - bove.
Of life and its glo - ries, of all that will be,
So thirst - y for all that is love - ly and true.

De - ceived by this world and the sin we ig - nore,
Your ho - li - ness floods all the fath - om - less deep
The o - cean of peace, of all jus - tice and right,
We ask Your for - give - ness, Your right - ness re - stored,

We're smil - ing and pol - ished but wrong to the core.
And all the cre - a - tion You nur - ture and keep.
The Good of all good - ness, the Light of all light.
Our Lov - ing Cre - a - tor, our Fa - ther, our Lord!

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Transcendent God

LEAD-IN: *Your lovingkindness, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
Your faithfulness reaches to the skies.
Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
Your judgments are like a great deep.
O Lord, You preserve man and beast.
How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God!
And the children of men take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.
They drink their fill of the abundance of Your house;
And You give them to drink of the river of Your delights.
For with You is the fountain of life;
In Your light we see light. (Psalm 36:5-9, NASB)*

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Reflection on Psalm 36

When we are wrapped up in ourselves, God,
 You rarely cross our minds.
Our wrongness flatters us and
 keeps us blind to
 how deceived we really are.
We become the center of our own tiny universe.
"Truth" and "right" are flexible terms which
 we bend for our own convenience.

But God, Your love and Your truth are
 unchanging.
They are as vast and immeasurable as the heavens themselves.
Your justice and rightness are a bottomless abyss.

You are so good to all!
Like a mother bird,
 You hide us under Your wings.
You let us drink freely from Your goodness, which is
 a mighty river,
 full of delights.
You are the fountain of all life.
And only in Your light can
 we see reality clearly.

You, Creator –
 You are what we need!
You are all that is
 lovely and good,
 right and noble.
Only as our relationship with You is right
 can we be right and true and good again.
Forgive us, Father.
 We turn to You.
 We ask You.
 We trust You now.