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Ps. 97:1, "The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice."

Did you know that the LORD is King over all? Now there is a difference in acknowledging that He is King, and living like He is King. It is fairly easy for us to compartmentalize our thoughts and feelings. We can know that the LORD is King and yet not bow our hearts to Him or submit ourselves to His reign. Let me tell you something; HE IS KING, whether you bow to Him now or not, you will at some point. Now this is not to be an overpowering statement. Like Grandpappy Amos (of the **Real McCoys**) used to say: *"It ain't no brag, it's just fact!"*

The Hebrew word for *reigns* is **melek** which means *king, ruler or the one who reigns over all.* Now here is the interesting part. Many people in this world don't seem to understand that the LORD is in charge of all things. They go on existing without understanding that they can experience real life with the King of All. There is great freedom in living for the King. In fact, Jesus told the leaders of the Jews in **John 8:31-36**, *"To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to My teaching, you are really My disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."*

Let everyone be put on alert. The LORD reigns. Let the earth be glad. We have a King Who will never fail!

Dear LORD, You reign over all. You are Mighty King. We exalt You and worship Your Holy Name. You will always reign because You are always King! In Jesus Name, Amen.