

Psalm 98:4-9

*Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!*

*Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody!*

*With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!*

*Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world and those who dwell in it!*

*Let the rivers clap their hands;
let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD,
for he comes to judge the earth.*

*He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity.*

Let all the children of men rejoice in the setting up the kingdom of Christ, for all may benefit by it. The different orders of rational creatures in the universe, seem to be described in figurative language in the reign of the great Messiah. The kingdom of Christ will be a blessing to the whole creation. We expect his second coming to begin his glorious reign. Then shall heaven and earth rejoice, and the joy of the redeemed shall be full. But sin and its dreadful effects will not be utterly done away, till the Lord come to judge the world in righteousness. Seeing then that we look for such things, let us give diligence that we may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. - *Matthew Henry, MHCC*