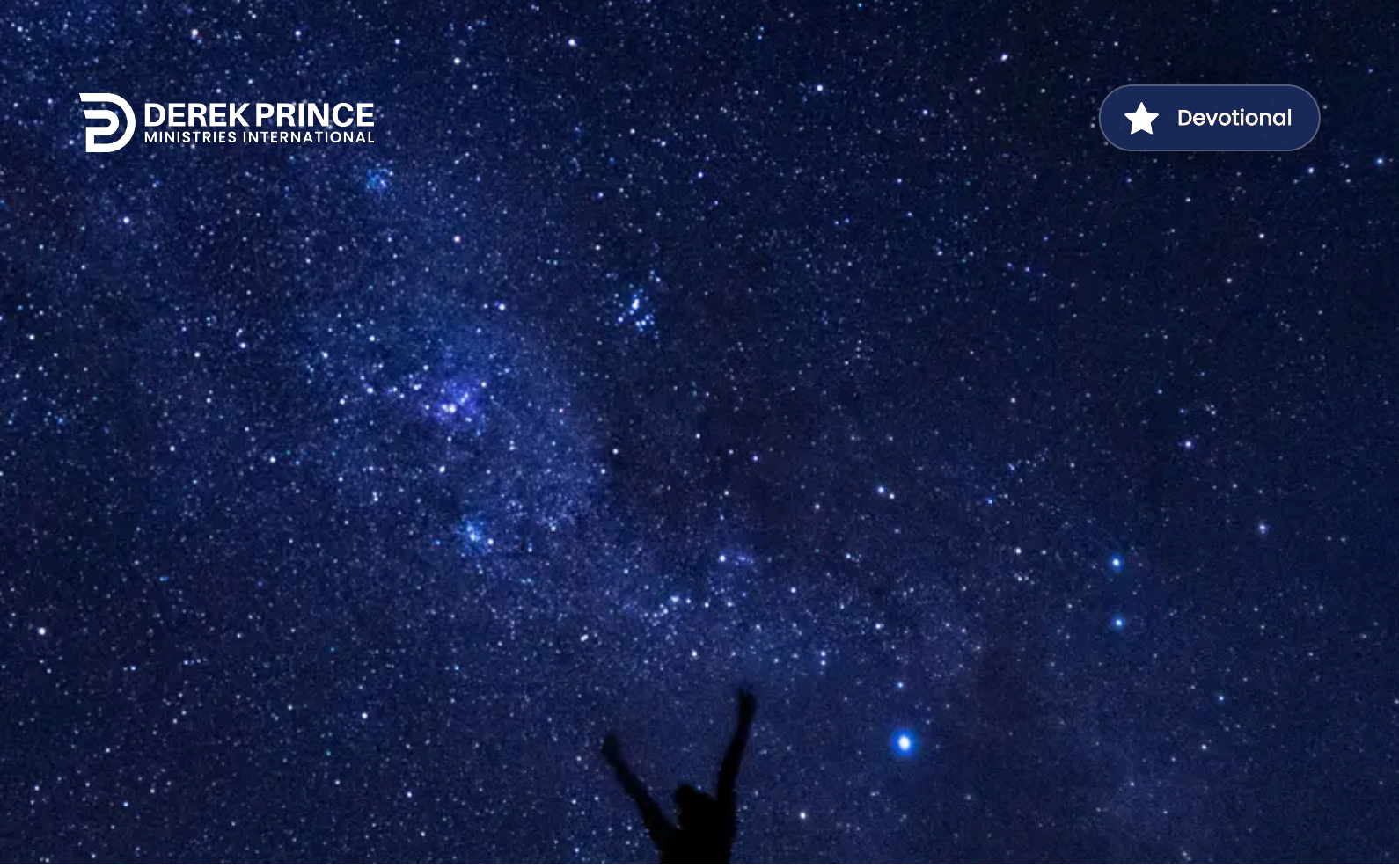

On Center Stage



Day 7/101

Through the Psalms
By Derek Prince

When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,
what is man that you are mindful of him,
the son of man that you care for him?
(Psalm 8:3–4)

When we look up at the vastness of the heavens and consider their millions of galaxies, our earthly globe seems just a tiny speck of dust in the totality of the universe. Confronted by this vastness, we feel small and insignificant, weak and helpless.

And yet, David assures us, God is interested in us. He cares for us. In fact, we are the objects of His special attention. God does not measure everything by numbers or dimensions. He has another scale of values, according to which – as Jesus Himself told us – one human soul is worth more than the entire universe.

We have often tended to picture our earth as the center of the universe. In all probability this is not so. Yet, historically, it has been something more important – the stage on which the greatest dramas of the universe have been acted out, and are still being acted out.

It was on the stage of earth and in the city of Jerusalem two thousand years ago that the drama of redemption was enacted. God demonstrated to the universe the value that He set upon human souls. He offered for our redemption the most precious thing the universe contained – the lifeblood of His own Son. Appropriately, therefore, Paul writes, "We have been made a spectacle to the whole universe . . ." (1 Corinthians 4:9). The word here translated *spectacle* is actually the Greek word for "theatre."

Weak and unworthy though we may be in ourselves, yet in the sovereign purposes of God we occupy the very center of the stage of the universe.

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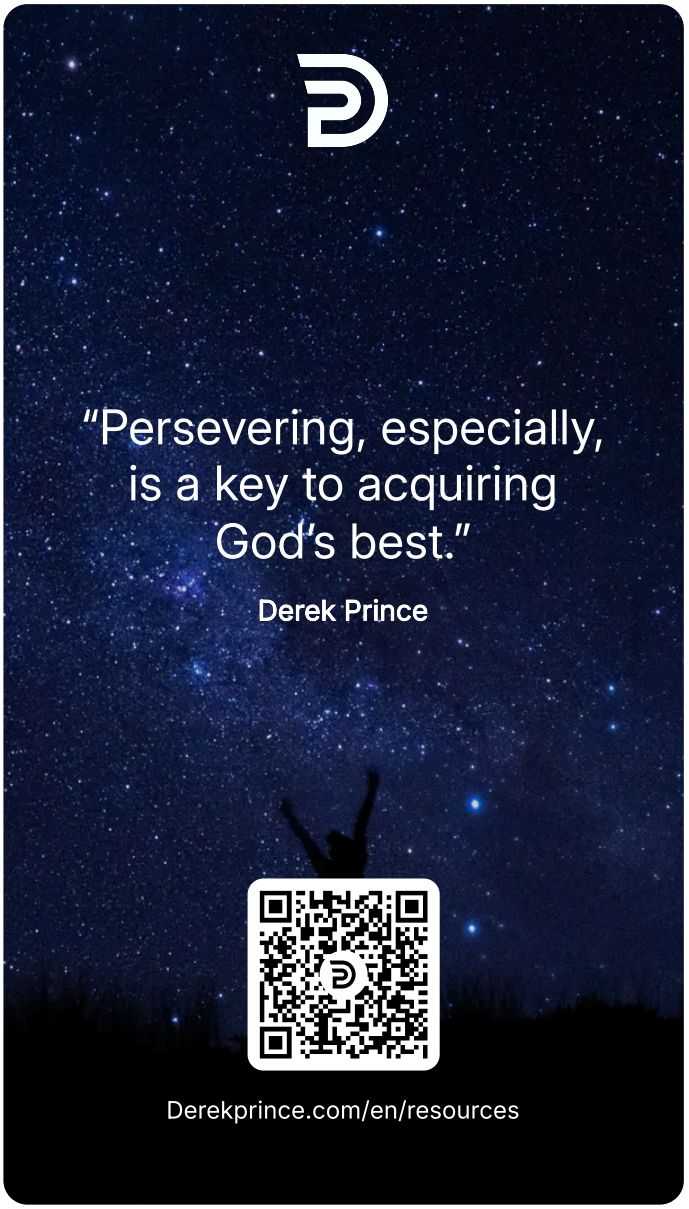

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