

Word Study Psalm 45:2-3

My heart is stirred by a noble theme..

2 You are the most excellent of men and your lips have been anointed with grace..

3 Gird your sword on your side, you mighty one; clothe yourself with splendor and majesty.

splendor (H1935) δόξα (howd)
- From a sense of swelling, to become swollen, enlarged, impressive

Synonyms: grandeur, magnificence, greatness, fullness, pleasant to behold,

Isa 30:30 - The LORD will cause people to hear his **awesome** voice and will make them see his arm coming down with raging anger and consuming fire, with cloudburst, thunderstorm and hail.

Hab 3:3 - God came from Teman, the Holy One from Mount Paran. His **glory** covered the heavens and his praise filled the earth.

From the Matthew Henry Commentary

The secrecy of the divine counsels: *O the depth!* in these proceedings towards the Jews and Gentiles; or, in general, the whole mystery of the gospel, which we cannot fully comprehend.—*The riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God*, the abundant instances of his wisdom and knowledge in contriving and carrying on the work of our redemption by Christ, a depth which the angels pry into, [1 Pt. 1:12](#). Much more may it puzzle any human understanding to give an account of the methods, and reasons, and designs, and compass of it. Paul was as well acquainted with the mysteries of the kingdom of God as ever any mere man was; and yet he confesses himself at a loss in the contemplation, and, despairing to find the bottom, **he humbly sits down at the brink, and adores the depth.**

There is so vast a distance and disproportion between God and man, between the Creator and the creature, as for ever excludes the thought of such an intimacy

majesty (H1926) הָדָר (hadar)

- His beauty is such, in it's complexity and Intensity that it is overwhelming, daunting

Synonyms: ornament, decorated, awe-inspiring,

Ezek 1:4-5 - I looked, and I saw a windstorm coming out of the north—an immense cloud with flashing lightning and surrounded by brilliant light. The center of the fire looked like glowing metal, **5** and in the fire was what looked like four living creatures.

And when I turned I saw ...one like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance. **When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead.**

Synonyms: handsome, fairbright, to beautify, to adorn, resplendent, attractive, dazzling, magnificent

Most excellent (H3302) יָפָה (yaphah)

- To be fair, primarily from a sense of being 'bright'

Sngs 1:3,4- **Your name is like perfume poured out**
Your love is praised more than wine!!!

Sngs 7:1 - How **beautiful** your sandaled feet, O prince's daughter! Your graceful legs are like jewels, the work of an artist's hands.

Jer 10:4 - They **deck** it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. (KJV) (NIV = 'adorn')

2 Chron 20:21 - And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the **beauty*** of holiness
[*H1926 - 'hadharah']

1 Sam 16:12 - ...Now [David] was ruddy, and withal of a **beautiful** countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he. (KJV)

Eph 1:21 - the Father exalted you

above every name that is given or can be given in this age and in the age to come!

Synonyms: champion, victor, chief, to prevail, to have mastery, profound strenght

Most mighty (H1368) גִּבּוֹר (gibbowr)

- one who 'prevails' [literally an intensified form of the word 'to prevail' 'to have might']
- a champion

Gen 6:4 - The Nephilim were on the earth in those days—and also afterward—when the sons of God went to the daughters of men and had children by them. They were the **heroes** of old, men of renown.

1 Sam 17:51 - After he killed him, he cut off his head with the sword. When the Philistines saw that their **champion** was dead, they turned and ran.

Job 16:14 - Again and again he bursts upon me; he rushes at me like a **warrior**.

Jdgs 14:5-6 - Samson went down to Timnah together with his father and mother. As they approached the vineyards of Timnah, suddenly a young lion came roaring toward him. **6** The Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon him so that he tore the lion apart with his bare hands as he might have torn a young goat