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In the presence of the opponents of the living God he would be as hearty in worship as if all were friends and would cheerfully unite with him. If others do not praise the Lord, there is all the more reason why we should do so, and should do so with enthusiastic eagerness.

Charles Spurgeon, The Treasury Of David

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Psalms 138:2

HCSB ...You have exalted Your name and Your promise above everything else.

NLT ...for your promises are backed by all the honor of your name.

ESV ...for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

NIV...for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame.

The translation and interpretation of the last parallel line of verse 2 is debatable and enigmatic. It is questionable whether 'decree' is the best translation for the Hebrew word. 'Promise' is a better choice, and a more fitting translation of the line is: 'for you have exalted above all things your name and your promise'.

Tremper Longman III, Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries

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Reasons To Boldly Praise The Lord

- For His Lovingkindness
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- For His Faithfulness

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Philippians 2

9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is
above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in
heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and that every
tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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