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Hallowed be Thy Name

(Matthew 6:9)

INTRODUCTION: *My mother's advice to me:*
"Cover your mouth & be quiet."

I. THERE ARE TIMES TO SPEAK & TIMES TO BE QUIET

- A. Reverence: **covering our mouth in God's presence**
- B. Psalm 46:10 – *"Be still and know that I am God"*
- C. Reverence: praying – ***Hallowed be Thy Name:***
(O God, be holy in my life)

II. JOB LEARNED THE HARD WAY TO COVER HIS MOUTH

- A. For 23 chapters: a "verbal ping pong match" with Job & his miserable comforters
- B. In chapters 37-39 God speaks & Job listens
- C. In chapter 40 Job **covers his mouth**, is quiet, & finally knows that God is God (Job 40:4 and Psalm 46:10)

III. IT IS GOOD FOR US TO BE QUIET IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- A. As we see Jesus on the cross, all we can say is:
O God – ***Hallowed be Thy Name***
- B. We confess with the Rock of Ages hymn:
"Nothing in my hand I bring; simply to Thy cross I cling"
- C. We linger in God's presence with His Psalm 46:10 command:
"Be still" and His promise: *"and you will know that I am God"*

CONCLUSION: *In the midst of whatever we face in life:*
*O God -- **Hallowed be Thy Name***