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Numbers

The Lord owns all things

Psa. 50:7 "Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: I am God, even thy God. 8 I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, to have been continually before me. 9 I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds. 10 For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. 11 I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine. 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof. 13 Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats? 14 Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High: 15 And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me."

In the above passage, the Lord said that the cattle upon a thousand hills were his. From the context, it is clear that it was not a literal thousand hills that the Lord was speaking about, but that the cattle upon all hills are his.

There are ranches in South Texas that have more than a thousand literal hills. The Lord is greater than any rancher in South Texas is and he is greater than all the ranchers in the world are. He possesses all things.

In the above passage of scripture, the Lord is declaring his greatness to his people. He is showing them that he not only created all things, but that he still possesses all things and with that bountiful possession, he is able to supply all their needs. Thus, we should call upon the Lord in the day of trouble and he will deliver us. Our responsibility is to thank him and to glorify his name.