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- God has made man to be lower than the _____ for a little time. (7a)
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- God created mankind to _____ over all creation. (v. 7c-8a)

Problem: When you look at man in the world today, all things are _____ subject to man. (v. 8b)

2. **The work of Jesus as the 2nd Adam:** Jesus _____ man's destiny being the first to experience the magnificent destiny of Psalm 8. (v. 9)

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5. Meditate on the position, extent, & purpose of Christ’s humiliation listed in verse 9. How does this elevate Christ’s honor, glory & Lordship in your life?
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7. If you feel insignificant, unimportant, small or just ordinary, how can this passage motivate you and strengthen you in a world of people who marginalize us as Christians?
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