

10-A Ministry to God in Praise

Praise honors God for His deeds. **Worship** honors God for who He is.

Praise: the expression in speech, song, or action of honor, commendation, or admiration of the worth, value, merit, virtue, or excellence of a person or thing; laudation; eulogy; exaltation; to extol; to esteem highly; to magnify; to glorify.

The Object of Praise

1. **1CH 29:13** “Now therefore, our God, We thank You And praise YOUR GLORIOUS NAME.
2. **PSA 21:13** Be exalted, O Lord, in Your own strength! We will sing and praise YOUR POWER.
3. **PSA 89:5** And the heavens will praise YOUR WONDERS, O Lord; YOUR FAITHFULNESS also in the assembly of the saints.
4. **PSA 99:3** Let them praise YOUR GREAT AND AWESOME NAME—He is holy.
5. **PSA 138:2** I will worship toward Your holy temple, And PRAISE YOUR NAME For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name. 3 In the day when I cried out, You answered me, And made me bold with strength in my soul. 4 All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O Lord, When they hear the words of Your mouth.
6. **PSA 139:14** I will praise YOU, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.
7. **PSA 145:4** One generation shall praise YOUR WORKS to another, And shall declare Your mighty acts. 5 I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, And on Your wondrous works.
8. **LUK 10:21** In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.

Times of Praise

9. **1CH 23:30** to stand EVERY MORNING to thank and praise the Lord, AND LIKEWISE AT EVENING;
10. **PSA 35:28** and my tongue shall speak of your righteousness and of your praise ALL THE DAY LONG.
11. **PSA 71:6** By You I have been upheld from birth; You are He who took me out of my mother’s womb. My praise shall be CONTINUALLY of you.
12. **PSA 72:15** And He shall live; And the gold of Sheba will be given to Him; Prayer also will be made for Him CONTINUALLY, And DAILY He shall be praised.
13. **PSA 119:62** AT MIDNIGHT i will rise to give thanks to you, Because of Your righteous judgments.
14. **PSA 119:164** SEVEN TIMES A DAY I praise you, Because of Your righteous judgments. 165 Great peace have those who love Your law, And nothing causes them to stumble.
15. **PSA 146:2** WHILE I LIVE I will praise the LORD; I will sing praises to my god WHILE I HAVE MY BEING.
16. **HEB 13:15** Therefore by Him let us CONTINUALLY offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.
17. **ACT 2:46** So continuing DAILY with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.
18. **ACT 16:25** But AT MIDNIGHT Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.

Key Scriptures on Praise

19. **ISA 61:1** “The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, Because the Lord has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to those who are bound; 2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, 3 To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, THE GARMENT OF PRAISE FOR THE SPIRIT OF HEAVINESS; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified.”
20. **JAM 5:13** Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms.
21. **IPE 2:9** But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;
22. **PSA 100:1** A Psalm of Thanksgiving. Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands! 2 Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. 3 Know that the Lord, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. 5 For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations.
23. **PSA 22:3** But You are holy, Enthroned in the praises of Israel.
24. **PSA 57:7** My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise.

25. **PSA 34:1** I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. 2 My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; The humble shall hear of it and be glad. 3 Oh, magnify the Lord with me, And let us exalt His name together.
26. **PSA 43:5** Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; For I shall yet praise Him. The help of my countenance and my God.
27. **PSA 50:23** Whoever offers praise glorifies Me; And to him who orders his conduct aright I will show the salvation of God.”
28. **PSA 65:1** Praise is awaiting You, O God, in Zion; And to You the vow shall be performed.
29. **PSA 67:5** Let the peoples praise You, O God; Let all the peoples praise You. 6 **THEN THE EARTH SHALL YIELD HER INCREASE; GOD, OUR OWN GOD, SHALL BLESS US.**
30. **PSA 77:11** I will remember the works of the Lord; Surely I will remember Your wonders of old.
31. **PSA 103:1** Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: 3 Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, 4 Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,
32. **ROM 4:20** He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God. 21 & being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.
33. **1CO 15:57** But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
34. **2CO 2:14** Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.
35. **HEB 10:23** Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

Praise Defeats the Enemy

36. **2SA 22:4** I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; SO SHALL I BE SAVED FROM MY ENEMIES.
37. **2CH 20:20** So they rose early in the morning and went out into the Wilderness of Tekoa; and as they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, “Hear me, O Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem: Believe in the Lord your God, and you shall be established; believe His prophets, and you shall prosper.” 21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who should sing to the Lord, and who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army and were saying: “Praise the Lord, For His mercy endures forever.” 22 Now **WHEN THEY BEGAN TO SING AND TO PRAISE,** the Lord set ambushes against the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah; and they were defeated. 27 Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, with Jehoshaphat in front of them, to go back to Jerusalem with joy, for the Lord had made them rejoice over their enemies. 28 So they came to Jerusalem, with stringed instruments and harps and trumpets, to the house of the Lord. 29 And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of those countries when they heard that the Lord had fought against the enemies of Israel. 30 Then the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet, for his God gave him rest all around.
38. **See also JOS 6:1-5 (20)** The taking of Jericho, the first city in the promised land.

Praise is Inspired by and Given by the Holy Spirit, the ‘Helper’

39. **LUK 1:67** Now his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying: 68 “Blessed is the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited and redeemed His people, 69 And has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of His servant David, 70 As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets, Who have been since the world began, 71 That we should be saved from our enemies And from the hand of all who hate us, 72 To perform the mercy promised to our fathers And to remember His holy covenant, 73 The oath which He swore to our father Abraham: 74 To grant us that we, Being delivered from the hand of our enemies, Might serve Him without fear, 75 In holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life.

Hebrew	Meaning
yadah (from yad = hand)	(v) to praise, give thanks, confess
hilluwl (from halal)	(n) rejoicing, praise
t’ehillah (from halal)	(n) praise, song or hymn of praise
halal	(v) to praise, glory, boast, shine
barak	(v) to bless, salute, kneel down
yadah	(v) to praise, give thanks, confess, laud
zamar	(v) to praise, sing psalms, make music
towday	(n) confession of praise, thanksgiving,
sh’ebach	(v, Aramaic) to praise, laud, adore
mizmowr	(n) psalm or melody of praise

Greek	Meaning
ainos	(n) praise
epainos	(n) praise, commendation
aineo	(v) to praise, extol, sing praises to
doxa	(n) glory, honor, praise, worship
humneod	(v) to sing praise, hymns
humnos	(n) a song of praise, hymn
psalmos	(n) a psalm, pious song

The word **‘Hallelujah’** is a transliteration of the Hebrew **“halal Yahh”** (see **PSA 106:1, PSA 150:1, REV 19:3-4**). The Hebrew **‘halal’** means **‘to praise, glory, commend, or boast’**. The Hebrew **‘Yahh’** is a contracted form of **‘Y’ehovah’**, or **Jehovah**, which is translated LORD in the KJV OT. So, **Hallelujah** means **‘praise the LORD’**.

40. **Examples of Praise:** Of Moses and the Children of Israel, when Pharaoh’s army drowned in the Red Sea in **EXO 15:1-19**; **Of Hannah** in **1SA 2:1-10**; **Of David, celebrating his deliverance from the hand of Saul** in **2SA 22**; **Of David, on bringing the Ark to Zion** in **1CH 16:8-36**; **Of David, at the close of his reign** in **1CH 29:10-19**; **When Solomon brought the Ark into the temple** in **2CH 5:13**; **Of Deborah, after defeating the Canaanites**, **JDG 5**; **Psalms of, for God’s goodness to Israel** **PSA 46; 48; 65; 66; 68; 76; 81; 85; 98; 105; 124;**

126; 129; 135; 136; **For God's goodness to righteous men** in PSA 23; 34; 36; 91; 100; 103; 107; 117; 121; **For God's goodness to individuals** in PSA 9; 18; 22; 30; 40; 75; 103; 108; 116; 118; 138; 144; **For God's attributes** in PSA 8; 19; 22; 24; 29; 33; 47; 50; 65; 66; 76; 77; 92; 93; 95; 96; 97; 98; 99; 104; 111; 113; 114; 115; 134; 139; 147; 148; 150.

Giving Praise

41. **GEN 14:20** And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand. And he gave him A TITHE of all.
42. **DEU 10:21** "He is your praise, and He is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things which your eyes have seen.
43. **JDG 5:3** "Hear, O kings! Give ear, O princes! I, even I, will sing to the Lord; I will sing praise to the Lord God of Israel.
44. **1CH 16:31** Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; And let them SAY among the nations, "The Lord reigns." 33 Then the trees of the woods shall rejoice before the Lord, For He is coming to judge the earth. 34 Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever. 36 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel From everlasting to everlasting! And all the people said, "Amen!" and praised the Lord.
45. **2CH 7:3** When all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the Lord on the temple, they bowed their faces to the ground on the pavement, and worshiped and praised the Lord, saying: "For He is good, For His mercy endures forever."
46. **NEH 9:5** And the Levites, Jeshua, Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, said: "Stand up and bless the Lord your God Forever and ever! "Blessed be Your glorious name, Which is exalted above all blessing and praise! 6 You alone are the Lord; You have made heaven, The heaven of heavens, with all their host, The earth and everything on it, The seas and all that is in them, And You preserve them all. The host of heaven worships You.
47. **JOB 36:24** "Remember to magnify His work, Of which men have sung.
48. **PSA 7:17** I will praise the Lord according to His righteousness, And will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High.
49. **PSA 8:2** Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have ordained strength, Because of Your enemies, That You may silence the enemy and the avenger.
50. **PSA 9:11** Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion! Declare His deeds among the people.
51. **PSA 21:13** Be exalted, O Lord, in Your own strength! We will sing and praise Your power.
52. **PSA 22:22** I will declare Your name to My brethren; In the midst of the assembly I will praise You. 23 You who fear the Lord, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, And fear Him, all you offspring of Israel! 25 My praise shall be of You in the great assembly; I will pay My vows before those who fear Him.
53. **PSA 24:7** Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. 8 Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, The Lord mighty in battle. 9 Lift up your heads, O you gates! Lift up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. 10 Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory. Selah

THE PSALMS, a Book of Praise. The largest book of the Bible, composed of 150 chapters, **predominately of prayers, praise, and worship.** Many, if not all, were probably set to music. Most psalms list David as their author. Others carry the names of Moses, the Sons of Korah, Solomon, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan. Fifty of the psalms have no author listed.

These are real prayers, prayed by real people, often in times of extreme distress, thanksgiving, victory, etc. Each individual prayed from his own heart to God. Since we know that **ALL** scripture is given by inspiration of God, then **these very words must have been inspired by the Holy Spirit in their hearts and given as they spoke to God.** **That is the very nature of prayer, praise and worship.** **We come as we are, often in great need, and God Himself by His Spirit within, gives us His thoughts and the very words to say.** **We begin in the flesh, but God's anointing brings the Spirit, and an inspired utterance to God.** **The Holy Spirit is truly our 'Helper'.** **TRUST GOD to turn YOUR innermost longings into Psalms and Prayers unto God !!**

54. **PSA 26:12** My foot stands in an even place; In the congregations I will bless the Lord.
55. **PSA 28:6** Blessed be the Lord, Because He has heard the voice of my supplications! 7 The Lord is my strength and my shield; My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart greatly rejoices, And with my song I will praise Him.
56. **PSA 30:4** Sing praise to the Lord, You saints of His, And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.
57. **PSA 97:12** Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.
58. **PSA 32:11** Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous; And shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

59. **PSA 33:1** Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! For **praise from the upright is beautiful.** 2 **Praise the Lord with the harp; Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings.** 3 **Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy.**
60. **PSA 35:18** **I will give You thanks in the great assembly; I will praise You among many people.** 28 And my tongue shall speak of Your righteousness And of Your praise all the day long.
61. **PSA 41:13** **Blessed be the Lord God of Israel From everlasting to everlasting!** Amen and Amen.
62. **PSA 42:4** When I remember these things, I pour out my soul within me. For I used to go with the multitude; **I went with them to the house of God, With the voice of joy and praise,** With a multitude that kept a pilgrim feast.
63. **PSA 47:1** To the Chief Musician. A psalm of the sons of Korah. **Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph!** 6 **Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!** 7 For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding.
64. **PSA 50:23** **Whoever offers praise glorifies Me; And to him who orders his conduct aright I will show the salvation of God.”**
65. **PSA 51:15** **O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**
66. **PSA 52:9** I will praise You forever, Because You have done it; And in the presence of Your saints I will wait on Your name, for it is good.
67. **PSA 56:10** **In God (I will praise His word), In the Lord (I will praise His word),** 12 Vows made to You are binding upon me, O God; I will render praises to You,
68. **PSA 108:1** A Song. A psalm of David. **O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.** 2 **Awake, lute and harp! I will awaken the dawn.** 3 **I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples, And I will sing praises to You among the nations.**
69. **PSA 61:8** So **I will sing praise to Your name forever, That I may daily perform my vows.**
70. **PSA 63:3** **Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips shall praise You.** 4 **Thus I will bless You while I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name.** 5 My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness, And **my mouth shall praise You with joyful lips.** 6 **When I remember You on my bed, I meditate on You in the night watches.**
71. **PSA 66:1** To the Chief Musician. A Song. A psalm. **Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth!** 2 **Sing out the honor of His name; Make His praise glorious.** 4 **All the earth shall worship You And sing praises to You; They shall sing praises to Your name.”** Selah 8 Oh, bless our God, you peoples! And make the voice of His praise to be heard,
72. **PSA 67:3** **Let the peoples praise You, O God; Let all the peoples praise You.** 4 Oh, **let the nations be glad and sing for joy!** For You shall judge the people righteously, And govern the nations on earth. Selah
73. **PSA 69:30** **I will praise the name of God with a song, And will magnify Him with thanksgiving.** 34 Let heaven and earth praise Him, The seas and everything that moves in them.
74. **PSA 70:4** **Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; And let those who love Your salvation say continually, “Let God be magnified!”**
75. **PSA 79:13** So **we, Your people and sheep of Your pasture, Will give You thanks forever; We will show forth Your praise to all generations.**
76. **PSA 81:1** To the Chief Musician. On an instrument of Gath. A psalm of Asaph. **Sing aloud to God our strength; Make a joyful shout to the God of Jacob.**

More References on Praise

PSA 86:12	PSA 113:1, 2	PSA 149:1-9	JON 2:9	PHI 4:20
PSA 89:5,52	PSA 115:18	PSA 150:1-6	MAT 26:30	NEH 9:6
PSA 92:1-3	PSA 116:12-14-19	ISA 12:1-6	MAR 14:26	JOB 38:7
PSA 95:1, 2, 6, 7	PSA 117:1, 2	ISA 24:14-16	LUK 1:46-55, 67-75	PSA 103:20, 21
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PSA 103:20-22	PSA 136:1-26	ISA 49:13	ACT 16:25	REV 1:6
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PSA 106:1, 48	PSA 144:1, 2, 9	ISA 61:3	1CO 14:15	REV 7:9-12
PSA 107:8,15,21	PSA 145:1-21	JER 31:7	1CO 15:57	REV 11:16, 17
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PSA 109:30	PSA 147:1-20	DAN 2:20, 23	EPH 3:20, 21	
PSA 111:1, 10	PSA 148:1-14	DAN 4:37	EPH 5:19	

2SA 23:1 Now these are the last words of David. Thus says **David the son of Jesse;** Thus says **the man raised up on high, The anointed of the God of Jacob, And THE SWEET PSALMIST OF ISRAEL:**