



Psalm 148

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights. 2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts. 3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light. 4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens. 5 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created. 6 He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.

7 Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps: 8 Fire, and hail; snow, and vapour; stormy wind fulfilling his word: 9 Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars: 10 Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and flying fowl: 11 Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth: 12 Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:

13 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven. 14 He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints; even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise ye the LORD.

Introduction:

1. The Psalmist (David) invites all to worship God.
2. God is worthy of praise for His manifold blessings.

Outline:

- A. Call on Heaven to Praise the LORD (vv.1-6)
- B. Call on Earth to Praise the LORD (vv.7-12)
- C. Reasons for Praising the LORD (vv.13-14)

Observations:

All creatures, especially man is exhorted to praise God for His favor and mercy.

Lesson: Praise the LORD, the Wise Creator.

Psalm 149

1 Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints. 2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. 3 Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp. 4 For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation. 5 Let the saints

be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.

6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; 7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; 8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; 9 To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

Introduction:

The Psalmist (David) encourages all to praise the LORD for various reasons.

Outline:

- A. The Present Joy of the Saints (vv.1-5)
- B. The Hope of the Saints (vv.6-9)

Observations:

God loves His people and He gives them grace to overcome their enemies.

Lesson: The LORD delights in His people.

Psalm 150

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp. 4 Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs. 5 Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

Introduction: As with the former Psalms – every one is invited to praise the LORD.

Outline:

- A. Praise the LORD in Heaven (v.1)
- B. Praise Him for His Excellent Greatness (v.2)
- B.' Praise Him in music (vv.3-5)
- A.' Praise the LORD on Earth (v.6)

Observations:

God is to be greatly praised and even coupled with musical instruments.

Lesson: Let everything that have breath praise the LORD!