

LESSONS FROM PSALMS ONE HUNDRED FIFTY

Scripture: Psalms 150:1-6

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Introduction:

- A. This 150th Psalm is the fifth and last of the 5 Psalms of praise that end our study of this great Book.
 1. The key word is praise and it is found 13 times in the 6 short verses.
 2. This Praise Psalm like the other 4 begin and end with the command "Praise ye the Lord."
 - B. Again we are reminded that praise was God's primary purpose in creation. He expects praise from all His creation.
 - C. Praise means to prize, to express favorable judgment; to commend; to worship. It means to speak well of ... to laud the glory of God. Praise is the simple basic word implying an expression of approval, esteem, or commendation.
- I. WHO SHOULD BE PRAISED?
- A. Many great men have lived and died, but we are never to praise them. In the presence of Our God, all others fade into insignificance.
 - B. The Bible tells us that every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess before our God.
 - C. 13 times in the 6 short verses of this Psalm through His name or by personal pronoun, God is named as the One who is to be praised.
 - D. Rev. 4:11; 5:1-12 set forth the evident fact that only the Lamb of God is worthy of praise.
- II. WHY SHOULD THE LORD GOD BE PRAISED?
- A. v. 2 For all His mighty acts.
 1. In creation Gen. 1:1; John 1:1-3
 2. In redemption John 3:16; Rom. 5:6-10; 4:25
 - B. v. 2 according to or because of His excellent greatness.
 1. His great power
 2. His great understanding
 3. His great presence
 4. His great love.
 5. His great patience and longsuffering mercy.
 6. His great holiness .. purity ... righteousness.
 7. His sovereign majesty.
- III. WHERE SHOULD THE LORD BE PRAISED?
- A. v. 1 in His sanctuary here on the earth ...
 1. In the body of each believer
 2. In His churches (Eph. 3:21)
 3. In assembly of His churches. like where we now are.
 - B. v. 1 in the firmament of His power. Expanse
 1. Sun, moon, stars placed there by God and held in place by Him ... He is praised by these.
 2. There are three heavens
 - a. first is home of sun, moon, stars etc. Psalm 19:1-3
 - b. paradise of God where the spirits of God's saints await the resurrection.
 - c. third heaven is the throne of our sovereign God.
- IV. WHO SHOULD PRAISE THE LORD GOD?
- A. "You" - Whoever is addressed in this psalm. V. 1 "Ye" - Whoever reads it. Each of the first 5 verses begin with command "Praise." You is the subject. V. 6 ends with this command.
 - B. V. 6 "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord."

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V. HOW CAN WE PRAISE THE LORD GOD? vs. 3-5

- A. With instruments of sound
 - 1. Wind instruments
 - 2. String instruments
 - 3. Percussion instruments.
- B. With voice.
 - 1. Singing songs of praise.
 - 2. Speaking well of God, commending.
 - 3. By living a life that displays God's grace.
- C. By demonstrating an attitude of thankfulness for what God has done for us.
- D. Really, the HOW of praise is to simply do what makes up the meaning of Praise. All this is found in

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Introduction:

- 1. When our lives and our language commend God to others we are praising God.
- 2. When we give God all the credit for our existence, our salvation, and for any accomplishments in life,
we are praising God.

CONCLUSION:

I PRAISE THE LORD, FOR ALL I AM , ALL I HAVE, AND ALL I HOPE TO BE, I OWE TO HIM ... PRAISE YE THE LORD.