



## The Song of the Saved

Psalm 150

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Christianity is the only religion that sings. Other religions chant and pray but none of them sing. Christians have such joy that it causes them to sing songs, hymns, and spiritual songs to Almighty God. Praise is the song of the ones who have been saved by grace through faith!

Psalm 150 is the benediction of the Psalms that concludes the Hebrew songbook. In just six verses of this psalm, the word for praise, occurs thirteen times. Essentially, this psalm tells us that God wants us to practice praise in our spiritual journey and worship.

This psalm answers **five important questions** about praise:

### I. Who should we praise?

(verse 1)

1. The God of His chosen people

*“Praise the LORD ...”*

2. The God of His strong power

*“Praise God ...”*

### II. Where should we praise God?

(verse 1)

1. Praise God in public worship

*“Praise God in His sanctuary”*

2. Praise God in the vast universe

*“praise Him in His mighty heavens”*

### III. Why should we praise God?

(verse 2)

1. Because of God’s past actions

*“Praise... for His acts of power”*

2. Because of God’s superior qualities

*“praise...for His surpassing greatness”*

### IV. How should we praise God?

(verse 3-5)

1. With musical instruments

*“trumpet... harp...lyre...strings...flute”*

2. With emotional expression

*“dancing”*

3. With rhythmic percussion

*“tambourine...cymbals...resounding cymbals”*

## V. Who should praise God?

(verse 6)

1. All humanity should praise God      *“Let everything that has breath praise”*
2. You should praise God      *“Praise the Lord”*

### Your Response:

1. According to verse 1, we are to praise God in two places: the “*sanctuary*,” and God’s “*mighty heavens*.” Where are these places for you? Are you praising God in these places? How can you incorporate these places into your worship and personal devotional time with God?
2. Verse 2 commands us to praise God for His “*mighty deeds*.” What are some of the mighty deeds that God did in Scripture? What are do these deeds teach you about God? What practical things can you do to regularly praise the mighty acts that God has done in your life?
3. Verse 2 also tells us to praise God for “*His excellent greatness*.” What attributes of God’s nature have you have experienced? Add praising God for these things to your personal devotional time.
4. Verses 3-5 list several instrument that we can use to exalt and praise God. Maybe you-should learn to play one? Which one do you think God wants you to playse?
5. Verse 6 suggests that the human voice should be used in our praise. How do you believe God wants you to use your voice to praise Him?

### Resources:

Psalms (Volume 2) by Derek Kidner

Exposition of Psalms by H.C. Leupold

The Power in Praise by Merlin R. Carothers

The Prayer That Changes Everything: The Hidden Power of Praising God by Stormie Omartian

The Treasury of David (Volume 3) by Charles H. Spurgeon

The Preacher’s Commentary, Volume 14, (Psalms 73-150) by Donald M. Williams