



Bible study for the week starting August 2, 2026

SHARE/ACTIVITY

Share a hymn or song (or a phrase from a hymn or song) that for you expresses your praise for God. What feelings or spiritual themes does this song or phrase bring to mind for you?

Summer in the Psalms: Be sure to be reading through the Psalms this summer. This week is **Psalm 135-149 (Almost there!)**

READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read **Psalm 150**. What in this psalm is reflected or not reflected by you or your church when you gather for worship?
2. Now focus on **Psalm 150:1**. What synonyms would you use God's sanctuary? His mighty heavens? The ESV has a textual note for "mighty heavens" that in Hebrew could be translated "expanse". It then urges the reader to compare **Genesis 1:6-8**. How does this inform your understanding of God's heavens?
3. **Psalm 150:2** speaks of God's "mighty deeds" and "excellent greatness". Share an example of how you have benefited by one of God's mighty deeds and discuss how it has impacted you.
4. Share ways in which you are reminded to return praise to God. What role does praising Him play in your relationship with Jesus and with others?

PRAY

Beginning with the letter A and continuing with successive letters until each person has one, write a sentence that expresses your praise to God. Put this together as an acrostic psalm to close your time together.



PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING: SONGS FOR THE HEART

Psalm 100 and Psalm 150

August 2, 2026 – Pastor Marvin St. Pierre

GRACE, MERCY, PEACE

Our response: PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

“... and it was the DUTY of the trumpeters and singers to make themselves heard in unison in praise and thanksgiving to the LORD”. (*2 Chronicles 5:13a*)

“All these with one accord were devoting themselves to PRAYER...” (*Acts 1:14a*)

What does praising and thanking God do for ME?

1. They acknowledge the PERSONHOOD of the GIVER.
2. Thankfulness is the gift that helps us detach from the things that would POSSESS us.
3. Praise CONFIRMS (to your heart) who your Lord is.

“If you confess with your MOUTH that Jesus is Lord and believe in your HEART that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” (*Romans 10:9*)

4. When you praise and thank God, you PRACTICE the PRESENCE of Jesus.

“Yet You are holy, DWELLING in the praises of Israel.” (*Psalm 22:3, ESV alternate reading*)

For Next Week read Psalm 139