

Psalms 145-147 – 11 January 2026

“Accepted Into The Beloved”

Introduction

*This is the penultimate message in the final Book of Psalms

*We begin to conclude by becoming more & more focused strictly on praising our great God

*The message is titled “Accepted into the beloved” b/c when we’ve become born again, we become a worshipper

*What used to seem like a *waste* to us, has become *worth it*

*If praising God feels like a waste to you, be born again today

***Today, we’ll look at 3 concepts behind praising our great, eternal God**

#1 – Praise of God has a wonderful future (Psm 145)

Intro – The last Psalm attributed to David

It's the only Psalm called a praise of David

Read Vs 1-3

1. This is a vow or a commitment, to bless and praise God today and forever
 - a. Praise of God is an enduring feature of reality
 - b. Until the vanishing point
2. 'Unsearchable' means beyond finding out the complete extent of it (John 17:3)

Read Vs 4-7

1. This is a mind that is fixed on who God is & what He's done
 - a. He deserves our mental time of musing
 - b. Read Isa 26:3 – Giving God what he deserves, in turn actually blesses us

Read Vs 8-9

1. Reading vs 8 and you think it applies to you
 - a. Then you read vs 9 & realize it applies to all

2. God has given all people better than deserved

Read Vs 10-13

1. We sing longing for God's kingdom
 - a. We pray, longing for the kingdom (Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done)
2. All of human existence will culminate with the 1,000 year kingdom
 - a. Jesus is the king & we're welcomed in as joint *heirs* (Read Rom 8:15-17a)

Read Vs 14-16

1. Our God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble
2. Humility is having an honest view of yourself
 - a. It takes wisdom to be humble
 - b. Wisdom is seeing things from God's POV

Read Vs 17-21

1. The Lord is righteous, He's near and He'll help all those that come to Him
2. There is a great divide coming
 - a. David rejoices that he's on God's side

#2 – Praise of God is effective now (Psm 146)

Intro – Final 5 Psalms are called the Hallelujah Psalms – no more petition, or grief, just praise

Read Vs 1-2

1. We start with a sense of urgency
2. There's only so much time to praise the Lord

Read Vs 3-4

1. What son of Adam has the authority to make a plan and then keep it forever
 - a. Only the Son of God can do that
2. We need to look to the eternal, to the One outside creation for salvation
 - a. The transcendent One became immanent

Read Vs 5-7

1. We too have the God of Jacob as our God
 - a. We've been grafted into the vine
2. Interesting connection - the God of Jacob is the Creator God, which is the One who "sets us free"
 - a. The Creator, is Israel's God, is Jesus

3. Our God is the One that helps the low
 - a. Are you the low or are you still saying, ‘I got this’?

Read Vs 8-9

1. The Lord wants to adjust us, adjust everyone
 - a. The prideful, He will bring low
 - b. The low, He will raise up
2. He sees the specific needs of our life and will bring about circumstances to address them

Read Vs 10

1. Just the vastness of Almighty God
2. It’s one thing to have wonderful attributes, but if your attributes have authority over all that you interact with, now that’s wonderful

#3 – Praise of God is for all God’s children (Psm 147)

Read Vs 1

1. If you don’t see it as good and enjoyable to praise God, you’re not yet fit for heaven

2. Heaven will only have people that enjoy praising God

Read Vs 2-6

1. The Lord knows all our intricacies
 - a. He knows the hurts of your heart
 - b. Just as He names each star, He numbers each specific hair on your head (Matt 10:30)
2. He knows how our temptations & sins need brought low, & He knows how our weaknesses need brought up

Read Vs 7-9

1. We praise God our provider
 - a. He provides clouds to protect from the sun
 - b. He provides rain to produce food & grass
2. So our praise includes thanksgiving

Read Vs 10-11

1. There is nothing of our physical and mental efforts that impress God

2. The Lord is looking for our spiritual reverence of Him from the heart and soul

Read Vs 12-18

1. God provides for our protection & provision
 - a. Even the snow provides water in God's time
2. He speaks and provides what's needed
 - a. Read Heb 1:3 – By the Word of His mouth He created all things and by His Word He'll put under all His enemies

Read Vs 19-20

1. God's given them and us the deep knowledge of just how the most important things work
2. Ever started a job in which they just expect you to figure it out – versus a job that they train you
 - a. Don't you want to be the one that's trained?
3. Ever gone on a major hike without a map and got lost – versus grabbing a map at the beginning
 - a. Don't you want to be the one with the map?
4. We have God's Word and don't have to grope thru life not knowing what to do

Conclusion

The Lord had done great things for us (Read Eph 1:5-6) – We are worshippers, we praise God

1. **Praising God has a great future**
2. **Praising God is also effective right now**
3. **Praising God is for all God's children**

Have you been accepted into the beloved?

If yes - Then you know what it means to praise God

If no - Then you come today to the cross and receive Jesus

Next week, we conclude the Book of Psalms