

LESSON 11

God's Everlasting Kingdom

Psalm 145:10-13

All you have made will thank you, Lord; the faithful will bless you. They will speak of the glory of your kingdom and will declare your might, informing all people of your mighty acts and of the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your rule is for all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words and gracious in all his actions.

PSALM 145:10-13

Psalm 145:10–13 calls us to praise the everlasting reign of God. Near the end of his life, David focuses not on himself but on the greatness of the true King. He shows that God's Kingdom is not temporary—it stretches across all generations. His rule is faithful and gracious, giving His people confidence, purpose, and peace. This lesson reminds us that as citizens of this Kingdom, we are called to speak of His glory, trust in His promises, and share His greatness with others.

Class Objective: To help participants see that God's Kingdom is eternal, trustworthy, and full of grace—and to challenge them to speak boldly of His greatness, live under His reign, and pass His truth on to the next generation..

Introduction

What do you say at the end of a long life? What do you leave behind? For David, Israel's greatest king and a man after God's own heart, the answer is praise.

Psalm 145 is his final recorded psalm, a lasting legacy of worship. It is a carefully constructed acrostic, with each line beginning with a successive letter of the Hebrew alphabet. In poetic beauty and spiritual depth, David declares once more what he learned through battles, betrayals, victories, sins, and repentance: **God is King. His Kingdom is eternal. His goodness extends to every generation.**

In verses 10-13, the core of the psalm, David focuses on the Kingdom of God. He praises the eternal reign of the Lord with language that is both personal and universal. All of God's works thank Him. His faithful people bless Him. They speak about His Kingdom, His mighty acts, and His everlasting rule.

These verses represent the worship not only of Israel but also of a global, multi-generational people who recognize that God rules over everything and everyone. David, who once governed from Jerusalem, now bows in awe of the one true King whose reign never ends.

In a world where kingdoms rise and fall and leaders sometimes disappoint, these words offer steadfast hope. God reigns. He always has. He always will. And His Kingdom is not defined by borders or time but by righteousness, faithfulness, and grace.

As we study this section of Psalm 145, we are invited to do what David did... to pass the truth of God's greatness to the next generation and to live with confidence under the rule of a King who never fails.

God's Kingdom is Proclaimed by His People (v. 10-12)

All you have made will thank you, LORD; the faithful will bless you. They will speak of the glory of your kingdom and will declare your might, informing all people of your mighty acts and of the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

David begins this section with a broad expression of praise: "All you have made will thank you, Lord." Everything God has created testifies to His greatness. The heavens proclaim His glory. The earth displays His handiwork. The created world, by its very design, reflects the goodness and power of the Creator. But David doesn't stop with the general testimony of creation. He shifts focus to those who know God personally: "Your faithful ones will bless you." The faithful are not just thankful—they are vocal. They offer blessing, not just through rituals or songs, but with words from the heart. Their praise becomes a public declaration of God's greatness.

This praise is active, not passive. It turns into a declaration. "They will speak of the glory of your kingdom and will declare your might." The faithful become messengers of the King. They talk about His reign. They retell His mighty deeds. They describe the splendor of a kingdom not built by humans, but established by God's will. These are not just poetic words; they are personal stories. Those who have seen God's work in their lives cannot help but share what He has done. From one generation to the next, they tell of His faithfulness, justice, and power. Praise becomes contagious. It spreads through spoken words.

This shows what it means to live under God's reign and to speak of it. The church is not meant to stay silent but to proclaim the truth. God's people don't only experience the kingdom; they also share it through their words. At home, this means teaching our children to love the Lord. In our communities, it involves bearing witness to God's goodness. In a broken world, it's about reminding others that there is a King who rules with justice and grace. We are not passive citizens of a distant kingdom. We are active voices for the King whose reign is already here... and whose glory is meant to be shared.

God's Kingdom is Everlasting (v. 13)

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your rule is for all generations. The LORD is faithful in all his words and gracious in all his actions.

At the heart of David's final psalm lies a powerful truth: **God's kingdom is eternal.** Unlike the kingdoms David knew—rising empires like Egypt, Babylon, or even Israel's fragile monarchy, God's rule doesn't change with power struggles or collapse under rebellion. It lasts forever. His reign isn't limited by geography or time. It surpasses all generations. What comfort this brings in a world where nothing feels stable, when leaders disappoint us and governments fall. The kingdom of God never ends because the King never changes. He rules with the same justice, mercy, and power today as He did in David's time. And He will continue to reign long after we are gone.

This verse highlights not only the **length** of God's rule but also its **kind**. "The Lord is faithful in all His words and gracious in all His actions." His eternal reign is neither cold nor distant. It is full of integrity and compassion. He keeps His promises and acts with kindness. He doesn't just rule with power—He rules with goodness. The phrase in verse 13 that appears in some manuscripts... "The Lord is faithful to all His promises and loving toward all He has made"—deeply reflects God's character as shown throughout Scripture. He is not only sovereign but also trustworthy.

This is where faith develops. We don't just need to know that God is in control. We need to trust that **His rule is dependable**. That He is gracious. That His plans are good. When you understand this, it changes how you live. You stop clinging to control. You stop placing your hope in temporary powers. And you begin to rest under the banner of a Kingdom that cannot be shaken. God's people don't just survive history—they live within the story of a reign that is eternal, faithful, and full of grace.

Kingdom Focus

Psalms 145:10-13 offers one of the clearest and most powerful descriptions of God's reign in the Psalms. At the heart of David's final recorded praise is the declaration that **God is King forever**. His Kingdom is not just a theological idea or a future hope; it is a present and eternal reality. He rules now. He has always ruled. And His reign will continue through every generation. The kingdoms of this world may rise and fall, but His throne remains unshaken.

These verses show us that the **Kingdom of God is not silent**. It is proclaimed by those who know Him. His faithful people speak not just to themselves but to others. They pass on the truth of His greatness, telling of His mighty acts and His sovereign rule. This isn't just storytelling; it's a mission. One generation informs the next, and in doing so, the Kingdom spreads — not through conquest or force but through witness, praise, and truth.

And what kind of King is this? He is faithful. He is gracious. His Kingdom is characterized not by oppression but by **justice, mercy, and love**. His rule brings restoration, not destruction. In a world full of broken leaders and corrupt systems, the Kingdom of God shines as something better... something eternal. It offers us not only security but also purpose. It calls us to live as subjects of the true King and to invite others to do the same.

David understood that **God's Kingdom influences everything**: how we speak, how we live, and what we hope for. His final psalm urges us to root our lives in this truth: **God reigns. And His Kingdom will never end.**

What's In This for Us?

Psalms 145:10-13 is not just about what God has done. It's about what we are called to do and how we are called to live.

We speak because we believe. Those who know God don't keep quiet. They talk about Him. They tell others about His goodness and His Kingdom. You don't have to be a preacher to do this. You can share

what God has done in your life. You can remind your kids, your friends, your church family that God reigns—and that He is faithful.

We stand on what is firm. Everything else in life changes—leaders change, cultures shift, and plans fall apart. But God's Kingdom is everlasting. His rule lasts for all generations, which gives us confidence. We don't base our lives on what's temporary; we stand on what's eternal.

We serve a good King. God's reign isn't harsh or cold; it's full of grace. He is faithful to His promises and acts with kindness. That means we can trust Him not just with our souls but also with our daily decisions, struggles, and future. He rules with wisdom and mercy.

We have a responsibility. This psalm demonstrates that part of our role in the Kingdom is to **tell**: to proclaim, to share, to pass it on. One generation is meant to tell the next. If we stay silent, the message ends with us. But when we speak, we help others see that God is King, too.

Bottom line: We live in God's Kingdom. That means we have security, purpose, and hope. It also means we are responsible for sharing the truth of His reign with our words and our lives.

Conclusion

David's final psalm provides a fitting ending to a life shaped by God's presence. In Psalm 145:10-13, he doesn't focus on his own legacy or achievements; he emphasizes the eternal Kingdom of God. He reminds us that while everything else in life fades, God's reign lasts forever. His rule transcends time and borders. It is unshakable and good. These verses call us to respond with praise, to speak boldly of His greatness, and to rest confidently in His faithful promises. As citizens of this everlasting Kingdom, we are called to live with confidence, speak clearly, and pass on the truth of His glory to the next generation. The King reigns, and that changes everything.

For Discussion

1. What catches your eye most about how David describes God's Kingdom in verses 10–13? How does it compare to the kingdoms or governments we see today?
2. Verse 11 states that the faithful "will speak" of God's Kingdom. What are some practical ways we can talk about God's greatness in our daily conversations?
3. David describes God's Kingdom as "everlasting" and states His rule is for "all generations." What comfort or challenge does that truth bring to you personally?

4. How do you see the faithfulness and graciousness of God in your own life? Can you recall a time when He kept His word to you?
5. Why is it important for each generation to pass on the works and glory of God to the next? What happens if we stay silent?