



Part 7: Shabach

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SEVEN HEBREW WORDS OF PRAISE

Yadah

To revere or worship with extended hands. To hold out the hands. To throw a stone or arrow.

Let the people praise (*yadah*) you, O God;
let all the people praise (*yadah*) you.

– Psalm 67:3

Zamar

To make music. To celebrate in song or music. To touch the strings or parts of a musical instrument

I will sing a new song to You, O God;
On a harp of ten strings I will praise
(*zamar*) to You. – Psalm 144:9

Hallel

To boast. To rave. To shine. To celebrate. To be clamorously foolish.

Let them praise (*hallel*) his name with
dancing

and make music to him with

timbrel and harp. – Psalm 149:3

Barak

To kneel. To bless God as an act of adoration. To salute. To thank.

I will bless (*barak*) the Lord at all times;
His praise (*tehillah*) shall continually be
in my mouth. – Psalm 34:1

Towdah

An extension of the hand. Thanksgiving. A confession. A sacrifice of praise. Thanksgiving for things not yet received. A choir of worshippers. Expectant praise.

In God have I put my trust: I
will not be afraid.

What man can do to me?

Vows made to You are binding upon me,
O God;

I will render praises (*towdah*) to you.

– Psalm 56:11-12

Tehillah

Laudation. A hymn. A song of praise. A new song. A spontaneous song.

Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One;
you are the one Israel praises (*tehillah*).

– Psalm 22:3

Shabach

To address in a loud tone. To shout. To commend, glory, and triumph.

One generation shall praise (*shabach*) your
works to another,

and shall declare your mighty acts. –

Psalm 145:4

The Heart and Truth of the Matter:

Authentic worship supersedes me.

Small Group Questions

- 1) What makes you want to stand up and shout?
- 2) Which of the 7 Hebrew words of praise resonated with you? Why?
- 3) How can you prevent your worship from becoming all about you? How do you keep Jesus in the forefront of your worship?
- 4) Read Psalm 117 out loud. How have you personally witnessed the faithfulness of God?
- 5) Given the opportunity, what would you shout to the world? Why?
- 6) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?