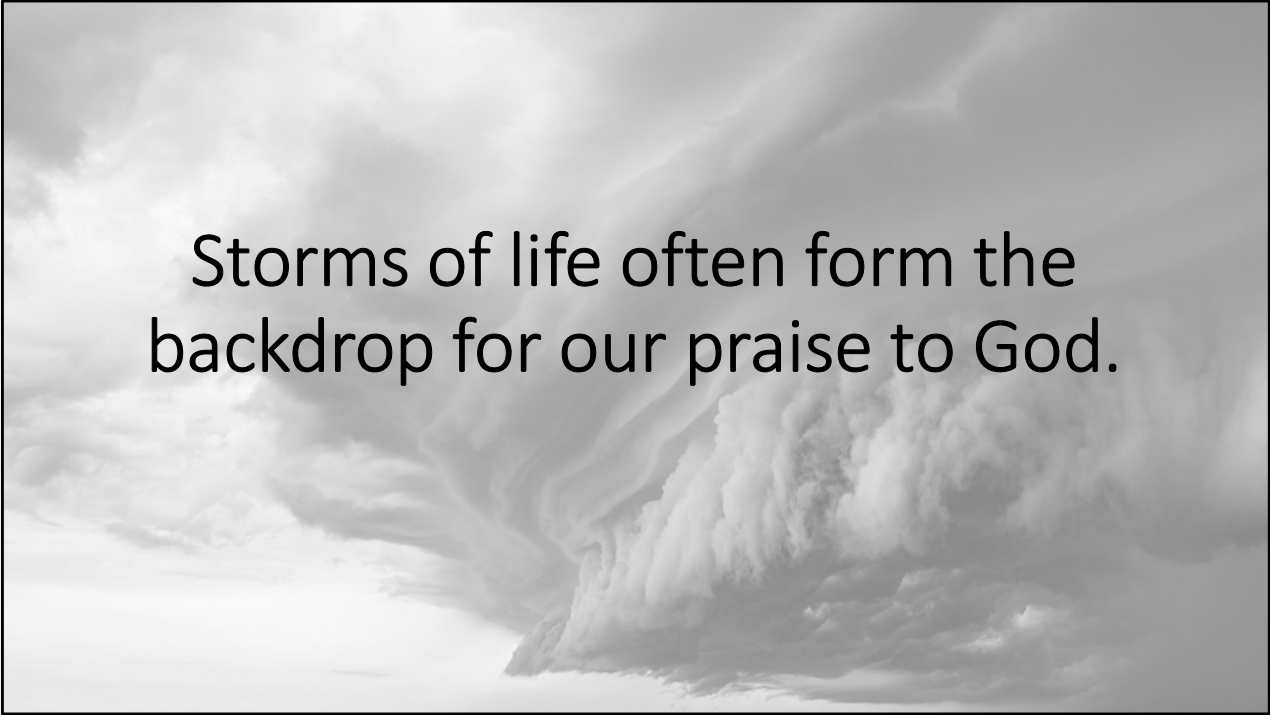


A Song of Praise

Psalm 145



Storms of life often form the
backdrop for our praise to God.

What should my praise look like?

- i. **Continual Praise.**
- ii. **Vocal Praise.**
- iii. **God-focused Praise.**

Big Idea: Praise flows from knowing God; so, I draw near to the Lord and praise him through the storms.

***A Song of Praise. Of David.* I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. ² Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. ³ Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. ⁴ One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. ⁵ On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. ⁶ They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. ⁷ They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.**

⁸ The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹ The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. ¹⁰ All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you! ¹¹ They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, ¹² to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. ¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. *The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.* ¹⁴ The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

¹⁵ The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. ¹⁶ You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing. ¹⁷ The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works. ¹⁸ The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. ¹⁹ He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them. ²⁰ The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. ²¹ My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever. (Psa 145:1-21 ESV).

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Praise God because:

- 1. You know him (vv. 1-7).**
- 2. God's love abounds (vv. 8-9).**
- 3. His kingdom is glorious (vv. 10-13).**
- 4. He is generous (vv. 14-16)**
- 5. His graciousness (vv. 17-21).**

1. Praise God because you know him (1-7).

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4 Ways to praise God today.

- i. Tell/speak/declare God's greatness (vv. 4, 6).**
- ii. Meditate on His glory (v. 5).**
- iii. Make Jesus famous (v. 7a).**
- iv. Sing aloud of His righteousness (v. 7b).**

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