

Summer in Psalms – 2026 – Week 13 – Psalm 150

Psalm 150:

1 Praise the Lord.

*Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens.*

*2 Praise him for his acts of power;
praise him for his surpassing greatness.*

*3 Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,
praise him with the harp and lyre,*

*4 praise him with timbrel and dancing,
praise him with the strings and pipe,*

*5 praise him with the clash of cymbals,
praise him with resounding cymbals.*

*6 Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.
Praise the Lord.*

INTRO to series “Summer in Psalms” – The Hebrew Psalms in our Bible are filled with ancient prayers, poems, laments, hymns, and spiritual songs written by God’s people throughout many generations. As the Holy Spirit spoke through them, their words of praise and faith were collected into five books with 150 different psalms.

Our Summer series will survey several of the Psalms which proclaim God’s faithfulness in all generations. They also call on us to trust the Lord in our own generation, seeking His best purposes in our homes, our church, and the world in which we live. A special part of this summer series will be the incorporation of music and singing led by our worship teams based on the Psalms we study.

INTRO to **Psalm 150**: Today we conclude our series with the last of the Psalms. Psalm 150 is a final doxology of worship to God calling on human beings to praise God in every way and at all times.

-Psalm 150, like each of the last five psalms in the Book of Psalms, begins and ends with the Hebrew word “Hallelujah” – which means “Praise the Lord!” This psalm says “Hallelujah” ten times before on final praise after **vs. 6**.

Psalm 150:1: *Praise the Lord.*

*Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens.*

-vs. 1 calls for praise for God on Earth and in the Temple – *Praise God in His sanctuary*, and calls for the praise of the angels and the saints – *in his mighty heavens*.

Psalm 150:2: *Praise him for his acts of power;
praise him for his surpassing greatness.*

-We are called to praise God for all the things He does, but also to give God praise simply because of Who He is!

Psalm 150:3-5: *Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,
praise him with the harp and lyre,
4 praise him with timbrel and dancing,
praise him with the strings and pipe,
5 praise him with the clash of cymbals,
praise him with resounding cymbals.*

-These verses are a “grand roll call of the instruments” (Robert Alter) used for worship in the Temple and other places of worship.

-Our primary calling at the Church is to worship and praise God by bringing glory to His name. When we do this faithfully, we proclaim the Good News of His salvation and also build up one another in love, wisdom, and unity. (see **Colossians 3:12-17** below)

Psalm 150:6: *Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.
Praise the Lord.*

-The final instrument called upon for praise is the voice of every person made in God’s image, to whom He has given breath (see **Genesis 2:7** below). We are the crown of God’s creation, so let us turn all our praise and thanks to Him!

CLOSING

-All the praise described in Psalm 150 turns to Christ in the New Testament, as Scripture tells us – **Philippians 2:9-11:** *Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,
10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.*

Other Scriptures Referenced:

Colossians 3:12-17: *Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.*

¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Genesis 2:7: *Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.*