

PRAISE THE LORD

PSALM 150

True praise and worship of God will not be limited to a church sanctuary (v 1-2, 6) Truly honoring God involves more than just singing songs or voicing praise during a worship service. Worship is a way of life that honors God and reflects his greatness in every aspect of life. We cannot help but praise God when we realize his greatness and goodness. His activity in creation, his plan of salvation for all people and his wonderful works in our personal lives.

Praise becomes a powerful response of the heart expressing joy, gratitude and desire for a deeper relationship with our God. In addition to praising God with songs and instruments in the sanctuary, we can praise and bring honor to God by living out his love and joy to those around us (1 John 4:19)

We show our faith in Christ (John 1:7) by gaining victory over the power of Satan (Eph 6:10-18) and by having a spiritual hunger for his purposes and his righteousness (Matt 6:33)

We honor God and give him praise through our deep devotion to his word (Ps 119:11) and by sharing the love for God that fills our hearts by the Holy Spirit (Rom 5:5)

Another way we can give glory to God is by spreading the message of forgiveness and new life through Christ (Rom 1:16) and by living with expectation of his soon return (Titus 2:13)

Praises are also used as a means of thanksgiving to God for his love, salvation, provision, protection etc. (Ps 103) This psalm expresses thanksgiving and praise to the Lord for the benefits and blessings he gives those who maintain a faithful relationship with him – we must never forget God's goodness to us (Deut 8:12-14) or fail to thank him for the blessings he generally gives us through the Holy Spirit

To show importance of praise Ps 150 starts with "Praise the Lord" and ends with "Praise the Lord"