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This is another of the Hallelujah-psalms; Praise the Lord = Hallu YAH.

This psalm is made up of selections from other Scriptures. It has been called a mosaic, and compared to the checkered roadway. This glorious Psalm of universal praise, placed at the end of the Songs of Ascent, which flow into it, and find their response in it, may be likened to a large, beautiful lake, into which rivers discharge their waters, and lose themselves in its calm expanse -- Charles Spurgeon.

The first fourteen verses contain an exhortation to praise YHWH for His goodness, for His greatness, His judgments, His unchanging character, and His love toward His people. This is followed with a denunciation of idols; and a further exhortation to acknowledge the Lord.



¹Praise the LORD.

Praise the name of the LORD; praise Him, O servants of the LORD/ all His servants, let us talk about all His wonder and care: that is, the Lord Himself, and His perfect nature; His goodness, grace, and mercy; His holiness, justice and faithfulness. Also His word, by which He makes known Himself: this is a distinctive blessing to His people, for which He is to be praised: -- John Gill, 1697-1771.

- ²You who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God / no matter your station, located in the house; or out in the courtyard, wherever you are, do not be silent, celebrate His name.
- ³Praise the LORD; for the LORD is good: sing praises to His name; for it is lovely / do it again, do it more heartily. We do not praise Him enough; we cannot praise Him too much. We ought always answer the command here: Praise, Praise, Praise, Let the Three-In-One have the praise of our spirit. soul, and body, For the past, present, and the future, let us render three-fold hallelujahs - Charles Spurgeon.
- ⁴For the LORD chose Jacob for Himself, and Israel / those ruled by God - in every nation and tribe; which means He chose you and me too... for His own treasure.
- ⁵ For I know the LORD is great, and our LORD is above all gods.
- ⁶ For whatever pleases the LORD, He does in heaven and on earth, in the seas, and the deep places.
- ⁷He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightning for the rain; He brings the wind from His treasuries / here, where we live... three complex processes are mentioned regulating life on His created earth: evaporation, lightning strikes, and wind.

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So, unlike the goofy geniuses who use His creation to do evil, and destroy millions of lives - we will let God deal with them in His time. As for the process of vaporization, it is unnoticed by many, since they see it going on all around them; the usual ceases to be wonderful to the thoughtless, but it remains a marvel to the instructed.

Consider the immense scale of evaporation going on throughout the world; necessary for the existence of life. Consider the millions of lightning strikes daily throughout the world, the nutrients falling to fertilize the earth and all its vegetables and fruits, and flowers, that without them, the earth would begin to die. Consider the wind, that unseen process moving clouds in and out of position providing rain or drought.: GOD of Wonders.

- ⁸ He whacked the firstborn of Egypt, both man and beast.
- b⁹ He sent signs and wonders among you, O Egypt, on Pharaoh, and on all his servants / but do not forget. God didn't destroy anyone until after they all were given repeated and unusual, miraculous fair warnings.
- ¹⁰ He hammered great nations, and slew mighty kings;
- ¹¹Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan:
- 12 and gave their land for a heritage, a heritage to His people $\overline{\text{Israel}}$.
- ¹³ Your name, O LORD, endures forever; Your fame, O LORD, through all generations.
- ¹⁴ For the LORD will judge His people, and He will have favor on His servants.
- ¹⁵The idols of the nations are silver and gold, the work of men's hands / and things haven't changed any in 3000 years.
- ¹⁶ have mouths, but do not speak; have eyes, but do not see;
- 17 have ears, but do not hear; yes, have no breath in their mouths / like a first-responder on the scene, the diagnosis: they idols are not speaking, they're not breathing; they're dead.
- ¹⁸Those who make them are like to them: yes, everyone who leans on them.



- ¹⁹ Kneel to the LORD, O house of Israel: O house of Aaron, kneel to the LORD:
- ²⁰ Kneel to the LORD, O house of Levi: you who fear the LORD, kneel to the LORD.
- ²¹ From Zion who dwell at Jerusalem, kneel to the LORD. Praise the LORD.

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