

January 18 – January 19, 2025

Title: Continuing Together in Prayer, Pt 3: “Praise the LORD” – Psalm 145

Big Idea: Praise the LORD for His greatness, goodness, and faithfulness, and proclaim His glory as you pray for the lost.

Read Psalm 145 and pray.

What in the message stood out to you?

What questions do you have?

I. Praise the LORD because of His Greatness

Psalm 145:3 says, "Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable." How have you experienced the greatness of God in your life?

Why is it important to pass on the knowledge of God's greatness to the next generation (v.4)? What are some practical ways to do this in your family or community?

How does meditating on God's wondrous works (v.5) deepen our understanding of His greatness?

II. Praise the LORD because of His Goodness

Psalm 145:7 describes God's goodness as abundant and overflowing. Can you share a moment when you experienced this abundant goodness personally?

Verses 8-9 remind us that God is gracious, merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. How do these attributes impact the way we relate to Him?

Why is singing an essential part of worship? What role does music play in helping us celebrate God's goodness? Do you struggle to sing? Why or why not?

III. Praise the LORD because of His Faithfulness

Psalm 145:14 says, "The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down." How has God sustained you or someone you know during a difficult season?

What does it mean for God to be "near to all who call on him in truth" (v.18)? How have you experienced this nearness?

IV. Proclaim His Glory while Praying for the Lost

Who is someone in your life that God may be calling you to share His goodness and faithfulness with? How can you take steps to do this?

“Next Steps” Takeaways – Discuss and pray through the following:

With God:

- Sign up for our Bible Reading Plan to pursue reading/studying God’s Word together as a church family.
- Set aside 10 minutes each day to meditate on God’s greatness and write down the name of someone that you’d like to share this with.

With Others:

- Read and Consider Signing the Continuing Together Covenant
 - What questions or thoughts do you have about signing a covenant with Good Shepherd? How can the group support you in prayer regarding this decision?
- Sign up to serve at NIGHT TO SHINE.

On Mission:

- Pray for Dunes and the unbelievers that will be attending.
- Pray for the lost—make it a point to pray for someone specific each day.