

Next Week's Prayers



"...The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."

Jas. 5:16

▶ Prayer Exercise

Make a list of ways you can state the majesty of God.

Make another list of ways that God's ways amaze and astound you.

Express your thoughts in prayers of praise this week.



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Prayer Study #27

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PRAISE — an act of worship or acknowledgment by which the virtues or deeds of another are recognized and extolled. The praise of one human being toward another, although often beneficial (1 Cor. 11:2; 1 Peter 2:14), can be a snare (Prov. 27:21; Matt. 6:1–5). But the praise of God toward people is the highest commendation they can receive. Such an act of praise reflects a true servant's heart (Matt. 25:21; 1 Cor. 4:5; Eph. 1:3–14).

Our praise toward God is the means by which we express our joy to the Lord. We are to praise God both for who He is and for what He does (Ps. 150:2). Praising God for who He is is called adoration; praising Him for what He does is known as thanksgiving. Praise of God may be in song or prayer, individually or collectively, spontaneous or prearranged, originating from the emotions or from the will.

The godly person will echo David's words, "My praise shall be continually of You . . . And [I] will praise You yet more and more" (Ps. 71:6, 14).

Psalm 8:1-9

1 O LORD,
our Lord,

How majestic is Your name
in all the earth,

Who have displayed Your splendor above the heavens!

2 From the mouth of infants and nursing babes
You have established strength

Because of Your adversaries,
To make the enemy and the revengeful cease.

3 When I consider Your heavens,
→ the work of Your fingers,
→ The moon and the stars,
→ which You have ordained;

4 What is man

that You take thought of him,
And the son of man
that You care for him?

5 Yet You have made him
a little lower than God,
And You crown him with glory and majesty!

6 You make him to rule

over the works of Your hands;
You have put all things
under his feet,

7 All sheep and oxen,
And also the beasts of the field,

8 The birds of the heavens
and the fish of the sea,

Whatever passes through the paths of the seas

9 O LORD,
our Lord,

How majestic is Your name
in all the earth!

