

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
PSALMS-LESSON 33
WEEK OF May 24–May 29
PRAISE YAHWEH OUR FAITHFUL SOVEREIGN CREATOR
PSALM 146

The final five psalms of the Psalter, all begin and end with the Hebrew word “Hallelujah!”, Praise the Lord! This hymn of praise, **Psalm 146**, celebrates the Lord’s powerful, creative, sovereign reign and His faithful provision for His redeemed. The psalmist calls us to join in praise of our great God.

“In the earlier psalms, we have studied the writers’ griefs, shames, sins, doubts and fears. We have witnessed the people of God in their defeats and victories, their ups and downs in life. We’ve encountered rebellious words and struggling faith. All this is behind us now. In these final psalms every word is praise.”

Psalms Vol. 3, James Montgomery Boice, pg. 1257

In this Psalm, the psalmist gives us a compilation of good and gracious works of the Lord. “He alone can save, He is the creator, He is faithful, He administers justice in the earth, and He reigns forever...”

Psalms, vol. 3, Allen P Ross, pg. 920.

As we consider, recall and meditate upon God’s nature, His character, His works, and all the other glorious truths we have studied in the Psalms, we should now heed the call of the psalmist to join in ceaseless praise of Yahweh.

Read Psalm 146:1-2 Call to Praise Yahweh

1. What is the commitment of the psalmist in **verses 1 and 2**?
2. When you consider your own prayer life, how do these two verses challenge your expression of and commitment to consistent praise of God? What step will you take to make the praise of God a distinctive of your life?

Read Psalm 146:3-4 Folly to Trust in Man

3. Why do you think the psalmist begins this great psalm of praise of Yahweh with this warning?
4. From **verses 3b and 4**, how does the psalmist express the futility and utter foolishness of trusting in man? Read **Gen. 3:19** What other verses communicate this truth?

Read Psalm 146:5-6 Praise for God’s Help, Hope and Faithfulness

5. From **verse 5** and also **Psalm 40:4** and **Jeremiah 17:7**, what is the source of blessing for His redeemed?
6. In **verse 6**, what praiseworthy attributes and character of God does the psalmist point to as the basis of our trust and hope in Yahweh?

Read Psalm 146:7-9 Praise For God's Faithful Provision For His People

7. How does the psalmist illustrate God's mercy, love, faithfulness, care, lovingkindness, salvation, deliverance, immutability and compassion in addressing physical and spiritual needs in the following verses:
 - Verse 7

 - Verse 8

 - Verse 9a and b
8. When you consider Yahweh's tangible demonstration of His goodness and lovingkindness expressed in **verses 7 through 9b** what is your response?
9. What specific actions can you take to follow the Lord's example of meeting the needs of people? See **Proverbs 19:17; Romans 12:13; Titus 3:14; Hebrews 13:16; James 1:27**
10. In contrast to God's care for His redeemed, from verse 9c, how does God deal with the unredeemed, the wicked? Also read Psalm **145:20**

Read Psalm 146:10 Praise of God For His Everlasting Reign

11. How does the truth of **verse 10** stir in your heart great hope, joy and praise?
12. How will you respond to the message of **Psalm 146**? How will these truths inform your praise and worship of Yahweh? How will you communicate a legacy and example of a life of praise of Yahweh to children, grandchildren and all generations?

After these things I heard something like a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven saying Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God; **Revelation 19:1**

Then I heard something like the voice of a great multitude and like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder saying Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty reigns. **Rev 19:6**

Praise the Lord! Psalm 146:10