

Thank You God! Psalm 145

Small Group & Personal Bible Study Lesson: Pastor Dennis Hadley

Thanksgiving Week Memory Verse: Psalm 107:1

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.

Thanksgiving Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day

We bow our hearts to You and pray.

We give You thanks for all You've done

Especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son.

*For beauty in nature, Your glory we see
For joy and health, friends and family,
For daily provision, Your mercy and care
These are the blessings You graciously share.*

*So today we offer this response of praise
With a promise to follow You all of our days.*

Mary Fairchild

Small Group Lesson:

1. Read Psalm 145:1-2. As a Thanksgiving tradition of praise, share something with your group that causes you to be thankful to God.
Let your group share things they are thankful for and help them direct their praises to God.
2. Read Psalm 145:3. How do you respond to the words of verse 3, "His greatness no one can fathom?"
I recognize that God is so great that I can not truly get my arms around his greatness. He is more wonderful than anyone could imagine.
3. What instructions and responsibilities do we receive from Psalm 145:4-7 and Psalm 145:10-12?
We are called to share with the next generation, the mighty and merciful wonderful works of God. We are responsible to pass on the message. We are called to speak of his splendor and majesty. We are called to meditate on God in all His glory. We are called to proclaim what he has done. We are to sing and celebrate Jesus! We will tell the story of Jesus and praise Him so that all people might know God and enter His Kingdom.
4. In Psalm 145:8-9 David reveals the character of God. How have you experienced those attributes of God in your life?
Let people share how God has shown grace and compassion in their lives. How he has been patient with them, slow to anger and rich in His love. How he has been good to all of us. This is a nice time for people to share their testimony as a thanksgiving praise to our God.
5. Read Psalm 145:13-20. Which verse speaks to you?
Let people share. Verse 14 and 18 spoke to me this week. I will share below.
6. Psalm 145:14 tells us "the Lord upholds all those who fall and He lifts up those who are bowed before Him" and in Psalm 145:18 the Word of God says "the Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth." How does this promise give you hope?
When we are at our weakest points God is there and He responds to our need and he is our help. If I will just cry out to God he will come to me and lift me up.

7. Finally, Psalm 145:21 reminds us that we are to speak praise to the Lord and every creature will praise His Holy name. End your time together lifting your voices up in praise to God.
Let people praise God in their own way. You may do this through prayer, singing, whatever.

This week, we conclude reading from the book of Acts. This takes through many of the trials and ministry of the Apostle Paul.

Daily Scripture Reading:

1. Acts 24
2. Acts 25
3. Acts 26
4. Acts 27
5. Acts 28