

The Center of Scripture

Psalm 117

Luke 24:25 And He said to them, “O foolish men and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 “Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and to enter into His glory?” 27 Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.

Luke 24:44 Now He said to them, “These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” 45 Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46 and He said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day, 47 and that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

Psalm 117

1. Praise the LORD, all nations;
Laud Him, all peoples!
2. For His lovingkindness is great toward us,
And the truth of the LORD is everlasting.

Praise the LORD!

I. The Call to Worship

A. To All Nations

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II. The Cause of Worship

A. The Prevailing Power of God's Love

Ex. 34:6 Then the LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed,
“The LORD, the LORD God, compassionate and gracious, slow to
anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth

Gen 7:9 The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered.

Ex. 17:11 So it came about when Moses held his hand up, that Israel prevailed, and when he let his hand down, Amalek prevailed.

Is. 42:13 The LORD will go forth like a warrior,
He will arouse His zeal like a man of war.
He will utter a shout, yes, He will raise a war cry.
He will prevail against His enemies.

Ps 65:3 Iniquities prevail against me;
As for our transgressions, You forgive them.

Ps 103:8 The LORD is compassionate and gracious, Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. 9 He will not always strive with us, Nor will He keep His anger forever. 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. 11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him.

2 Cor 5:14 For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; 15 and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

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B. The Precious Persistence of God's Promise

Gen 3:15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman,
And between your seed and her seed;
He shall bruise you on the head,
And you shall bruise him on the heel.

Gen 12:3 And I will bless those who bless you,
And the one who curses you I will curse.
And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.

Gen 22:18 In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed.

Is. 49:6

He says, “It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant
To raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the preserved ones of
Israel; I will also make You a light of the nations
So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

Gal 3:16 Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as referring to many, but rather to one, “And to your seed,” that is, Christ.

Gal. 3:8 The Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, “ALL THE NATIONS WILL BE BLESSED IN YOU.”

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III. The Character of Worship

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III. The Character of Worship

A. Public

Psa. 149:1 Praise the LORD!

Sing to the LORD a new song,

And His praise in the congregation of the godly ones.

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III. The Character of Worship

A. Public

B. Personal

Psa. 9:1 I will give thanks to the LORD with all my heart;

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III. The Character of Worship

A. Public

B. Personal

C. Particular

Psa. 7:17

I will give thanks to the LORD according to His righteousness
And will sing praise to the name of the LORD Most High.

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III. The Character of Worship

A. Public

B. Personal

C. Particular

D. Pleasure

Psa. 16:11

You will make known to me the path of life;
In Your presence is fullness of joy;
In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

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E. Proclamation

Matt. 26:26 While they were eating, Jesus took some bread, and after a blessing, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is My body.” 27 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; 28 for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins. 29 “But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father’s kingdom.”

Matt. 26:30 After singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

