

## **Sermon Notes – 09.29.2024 – Worship - Why Do We Do That?**

### **Psalms 150 - The Crescendo at the End of the “Halleluia Psalms” [145-150]**

**Psalms 150:1-6** Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty expanse. **2** Praise Him for His mighty deeds; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness.

**3** Praise Him with trumpet sound; Praise Him with harp and lyre. **4** Praise Him with timbrel and dancing; Praise Him with stringed instruments and pipe. **5** Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with resounding cymbals.

**6** Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD!

### **Worship with Music**

**Psalms 150, The Psalms are Filled with Instructions – Even Commands to Worship God with Music, both Instrumental and with Words**

### **Worshipful Dancing**

**Psalms 150:4** “Praise Him with timbrel and dancing”

### **Clapping & Shouting**

**Psalms 47:1** For the choir director. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. O clap your hands, all peoples; Shout to God with the voice of joy.

**Psalms 98:4-** “Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth; Break forth and sing for joy and sing praises

**Looking UP - John 17:1** Jesus spoke these things; and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You,”

### **Praise for What He has Done**

**This Psalm Goes a Long Way to Say, Everybody and Everything Should Praise the Lord**

**Psalms 148:5 & 13** Let them praise the name of the LORD, For He commanded and they were created. ... **13** Let them praise the name of the LORD, For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above earth and heaven. **14** And He has lifted up a horn for His people, Praise for all His godly ones; *Even* for the sons of Israel, a people near to Him. Praise the LORD!

- **Praise is Declaring the Goodness, Power, Righteousness etc – Of What God has Done**

### **Singing God’s Praises to the Young – The Next Generation**

**Psalms 145:4** One generation shall praise Your works to another, And shall declare Your mighty acts.

**Psalms 78:4-8** We will not conceal them from their children, But tell to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, And His strength and His wondrous works that He has done. **5** For He established a testimony in Jacob And appointed a law in Israel, Which He commanded our fathers That they should teach them to their children, **6** That the generation to come might know, even the children yet to be born, That they may arise and tell them to their children, **7** That they should put their confidence in God And not forget the works of God, But keep His commandments, **8** And not be like their fathers, A stubborn and rebellious generation, A generation that did not prepare its heart And whose spirit was not faithful to God.

### **Giving Thanks**

**Psalms 92:1-5** A Psalm, a Song for the Sabbath day. It is good to give thanks to the LORD And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High; **2** To declare Your lovingkindness in the morning And Your faithfulness by night, **3** With the ten-stringed lute and with the harp, With resounding music upon the lyre. **4** For You, O LORD, have made me glad by what You have done, I will sing for joy at the works of Your hands. **5** How great are Your works, O LORD! Your thoughts are very deep.

**1 Thessalonians 5:16** -19 Rejoice always; **17** pray without ceasing; **18** in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. **19** Do not quench the Spirit;

### **Raising Hands**

#### **To Bless**

**Luke 24:49-50** "And behold, I am sending forth the promise of My Father upon you; but you are to stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." **50** And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them.

#### **To Pray**

**1 Timothy 2:8** Therefore I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and dissension.

#### **As a Sign of Humility and Surrender to God**

**Lamentations 3:40-41** Let us examine and probe our ways. And let us return to the LORD. **41** We lift up our heart and hands Toward God in heaven;

**Ezra 9:5-6** But at the evening offering I arose from my humiliation, even with my garment and my robe torn, and I fell on my knees and stretched out my hands to the LORD my God; **6** and I said, "O my God, I am ashamed and embarrassed to lift up my face to You, my God, for our iniquities have risen above our heads and our guilt has grown even to the heavens."