A Psalm of Praise to God

All praise is due the name of God because He has spoken and the world was formed. The Psalmist wrote, “By the word of Jehovah were heavens made, and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth... For he spake, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast” (Ps. 33:6-9).

All praise is due the name of God because He has created my very being (Eccl. 12:7) and I have no right to complain (Rom. 9:20). As the creator of my being He is my heavenly Father (Matt. 6:32) whom I love as a child loves his earthly parents (Lk. 10:27).

All praise and thanksgiving is due the name of God because He has blessed me with food, shelter, and clothing (Matt. 6:25ff). The apostle Paul wrote, “pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus to you-ward” (I Thess. 5:17-18).

All praise and thanksgiving are due the Holy Father in heaven because he has blessed us with families. I thank God for my wife whom He has blessed me with for my joy here on this earth. Solomon wrote, “Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of thy life of vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all thy days of vanity: for that is thy portion in life, and in thy labor wherein thou laborest under the sun” (Eccl. 9:9). I thank God for my children that He has blessed me with. The Psalmist wrote, “Lo, children are a heritage of Jehovah; and the fruit of the womb is his reward.
As arrows in the hand of a mighty man, so are the children of youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be put to shame, when they speak with their enemies in the gate” (Ps. 127:3-5).

I thank God for the divine direction He has given me through His holy word. Jeremiah wrote, “O Jehovah, I know that the way of man is not in himself; it is not in man that walks to direct his steps” (Jer. 10:23). The Lord has led me in paths of righteousness for his name sake that I may obtain a heavenly home with him (Ps. 23:3).

All praise is due the name of God because He comforts us all with hope. The Lord has promised that he will return to bring home all His faithful saints to eternal glory (I Thess. 4:13ff). Though no man knows the day and hour that this will occur it nonetheless shall happen (Matt. 24:36)! The thought of dwelling in immortality with bodies that shall never experience death, sorrow, hunger, or thirst is a most comforting hope (Rev. 21:4). God’s comforting words will thereby see us through the most difficult days of life (Ps. 23 all).

All praise is due the name of God because he loves us all. God so loves that He gave His only begotten son as a sin sacrifice that we might all have the hope of heaven (Jn. 3:36). God’s love is extended to all men and women of every nation under the sun. Whether one is Chinese, African American, White American, Mexican American, living in Europe, South America, or Russia matters not with God (Gal. 3:27-28). God is not willing that any perish in sin (II Pet. 3:9). God is no respecter of persons (Acts 10:34).

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Nicolas Long will be preaching this morning on the following subject:

I Believe in God
All praise is due the name of God because he is **patient, longsuffering**, and full of **mercy**. The Psalmists wrote, “**Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful**” (Ps. 116:5). We all sin and fall short of the expected glory of Jehovah (Rom. 3:23). Even men such as the apostle Paul failed God from time to time. Paul wrote, “**Faithful is the saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom **I am chief**: howbeit for this cause I obtained **mercy**, that in me as chief might Jesus Christ show forth all his **longsuffering**, for an example of them that should thereafter believe on him unto eternal life” (I Tim. 1:15-16). Paul would earlier say, “**Wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me out of the body of this death?** (i.e., the death brought on by sin) **I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord**” (Rom. 7:24-25).

Let us all praise God because He has created the world and us. The Lord has blessed us with food, shelter, clothing, and families. He has given us divine direction in life that we might obtain an eternal heavenly home. We praise God because He loves and comforts us with words of hope. We praise the Lord because he is merciful, longsuffering, and patient with sinners. God has given us all things that pertain to life and godliness. He is our all! The Psalmists should speak for us all when he said, “**Praise ye Jehovah. Praise Jehovah, O my soul. While I live will I praise Jehovah: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being**” (Ps. 146:1-2).

“Praise ye Jehovah; for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant, and praise is beautiful”

Psalms 147:1