

# **WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY**

A STUDY ON THE GREATNESS OF GOD

CROSSLINE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## **Psalm 145: A Song of Praise and Worship**

### **Psalm 145**

- I will exalt you, my God the King;  
I will praise your name for ever and ever.
- <sup>2</sup> Every day I will praise you  
and extol your name for ever and ever.
- <sup>3</sup> Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;  
his greatness no one can fathom.
- <sup>4</sup> One generation commends your works to another;  
they tell of your mighty acts.
- <sup>5</sup> They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—  
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.
- <sup>6</sup> They tell of the power of your awesome works—  
and I will proclaim your great deeds.
- <sup>7</sup> They celebrate your abundant goodness  
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.
- <sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and compassionate,  
slow to anger and rich in love.

- <sup>9</sup> The LORD is good to all;  
he has compassion on all he has made.
- <sup>10</sup> All your works praise you, LORD;  
your faithful people extol you.
- <sup>11</sup> They tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your might,
- <sup>12</sup> so that all people may know of your mighty acts  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- <sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures through all generations.  
The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises  
and faithful in all he does.
- <sup>14</sup> The LORD upholds all who fall  
and lifts up all who are bowed down.
- <sup>15</sup> The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food at the proper time.
- <sup>16</sup> You open your hand  
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.
- <sup>17</sup> The LORD is righteous in all his ways  
and faithful in all he does.
- <sup>18</sup> The LORD is near to all who call on him,  
to all who call on him in truth.
- <sup>19</sup> He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;  
he hears their cry and saves them.
- <sup>20</sup> The LORD watches over all who love him,  
but all the wicked he will destroy.
- <sup>21</sup> My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD.  
Let every creature praise his holy name  
for ever and ever.

## **I. The character and works of God**

## **II. Moral Attributes of God**

1. Goodness - *God is the final standard of good, and all that God is and does is worthy of approval.* God's mercy and grace are closely related to His goodness.- Luke 18:19; Psalm 100:5, 106:1; Genesis 1:31.
2. Love - *God eternally gives of Himself to others.* 1 John 4:8, 5:3; John 3:16; Matthew 22:37-38.
3. Holiness - *God is separated from sin and devoted to seeking to His own honor.* Exodus 19:4-6, 26:33; Psalm 71:22, 99:9; Leviticus 19:2; Hebrews 12:14.
4. Righteousness (Justice) - *God always acts in accordance with what is right and is Himself the final standard of what is right.* Deuteronomy 32:4; Isaiah 45:19; Romans 3:25-26.
5. Jealousy - *God continually seeks to protect His own honor.* Exodus 20:5; Deuteronomy 4:24; Isaiah 48:11.
6. Wrath - *God intensely hates all sin and righteously must punish sin.* Exodus 32:9-10; Deuteronomy 9:7-8; Romans 1:18; Ephesians 2:3; Psalm 7:11.

### **III. Attributes highlighted in this Psalm**

- 1) The Kingship of God
- 2) The goodness and compassion of God
- 3) The works of God

### **IV. Our response of praise**

How should we respond to the revelation of God and His attributes?

Shock and awe, fear and faith, worship and praise, adoration and delight, humility and love—these are some of the appropriate and inevitable reactions that occur when a believer in Christ contemplates the characteristics of God. Studying the doctrine of God and His characteristics may sound dull or dry to some people, but for Christians, pondering the characteristics of God is pure joy! The ultimate goal of the doctrine of God is praise and worship.