

PRAYER MEETING

14 January 2019

Text: **Psalm 30:4-5**

EXHORTATION TO EXTOL THE LORD

1. Two expressions stated

- a) Sing praise to the LORD (Psalm 30:4) (Cf. Exodus 15:21)
- b) Give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name (Psalm 30:4)

2. Who are to extol the LORD?

- a) God's saints
 - i) His "holy ones"
 - ii) This became a word to describe all believers (Cf. Romans 1:7)
- b) Those who have experienced the Lord's blessings (Cf. Psalm 30:1-3)

A REFLECTION

1. God's anger

- a) Described as "wrath" (Exodus 32:11-12)
- b) Against idolatry
- c) Against idolaters

2. Moses experienced God's anger too

- a) Moses did not believe God
- b) He did not hallow the Lord's name (Numbers 20:12)
- c) God's anger and discipline (Deuteronomy 4:23)
- d) Moses was not allowed to enter the Promised Land

3. God's anger

- a) Described as but for a moment (Psalm 30:5a)
 - i) In human time... it may be quite long
 - ii) In God's time... it is but for a moment

- b) In His favour
 - i) Forever
 - ii) For life

4. Weeping

- a) May endure for a night (Psalm 30:5c)
- b) Because of chastisement arising from God's anger

5. Joy

- a) Comes in the morning (Psalm 30:5)
- b) The sorrow... only for the night
- c) But it can be a long night!