

**AM BETHANY**  
**TOPIC: THE HALLEL PSALMS**  
(Hallel- Praise)

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**A. Groups/ Clusters of Psalms**

1. Egyptian Hallel Psalms (Psalms 113-117)
2. Greater Hallel Psalms (Psalms 118-136)

**B. Essential Feature of these Psalms**

1. Praise to be given to God
2. Challenge to give Praise to God
  - a) Worship (Public and Private)
  - b) Personal
  - c) Community

**C. Use of these Psalms**

1. On Feast Days
  - a) Passover
  - b) Pentecost
  - c) Tabernacles
  - d) Dedication
2. Only reference of Jesus singing hymn
  - a) Matthew 26:30
  - b) Occasion: Passover
  - c) Thus, the Hallel Psalms (Psalm 113-117)

**D. The Challenge to make Praise a part of our spirit of faith**

1. A study of the Hallel Psalms
2. Personal Challenge
3. A commitment to make Praise a very real part of our life

## **PSALM 113**

### **1. Praising the name of God**

- a) He is the LORD Psalm 113:1a
- b) His name should be praised Psalm 113:1b

### **2. Blessing the name of the Lord**

- a) Essentially “praise”
- b) Added elements
  - i) Reverence
  - ii) Awe
  - iii) Attribution of praise and thanksgiving to God for who He is

### **3. Effective understanding of how Praise works**

- a) From the rising of the sun Psalm 113:3a
- b) To its going down Psalm 113:3b

### **4. Reasons for Praise**

- a) The LORD is high above all nations Psalm 113:4a
- b) His glory above the heavens Psalm 113:4b

### **5. An attempt to describe the greatness of God**

- a) He humbles Himself to behold the things in heaven Psalm 113:6a
- b) The things on earth Psalm 113:6b

### **6. Special reasons to give praise to God**

- a) He raises the poor out of the dust Psalm 113:7a
- b) He lifts up the needy out of the ash heap Psalm 113:7b
- c) He seats him with the princes Psalm 113:8
- d) He gives the barren a home Psalm 113:7

7. Extolling the LORD

- a) Who is like the LORD our God who dwells on high? Psalm 111:5
- b) Written as a rhetorical question
  - i) For effect
  - ii) For impact
  - iii) To extol the greatness of God!

8. Who should practise the praising of the name of the LORD?

- a) All servants of His
- b) Everyone who knows the Lord
- c) Everyone who loves the LORD