

# Outline

Intro: The Hallel is Psalms 113-118

I. \_\_\_\_\_ Do I Praise the Lord?

A. When You Are \_\_\_\_\_ Ps 118:5a  
He will bring you into a broad place Ps 118:5b

Psalm 118:5 (NASB) <sup>5</sup> From my distress I called upon the LORD;  
The LORD answered me and set me in a large place.

## Outline (continued)

B. When You Are \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 118:7,10-13 He  
will deliver you

Psalm 118:7 (NASB) <sup>7</sup> The LORD is for me among those who help me; Therefore I will look with satisfaction on those who hate me.

Psalm 118:10-13 (NASB) <sup>10</sup> All nations surrounded me; In the name of the LORD I will surely cut them off. <sup>11</sup> They surrounded me, yes, they surrounded me; In the name of the LORD I will surely cut them off. <sup>12</sup> They surrounded me like bees; They were extinguished as a fire of thorns; In the name of the LORD I will surely cut them off. <sup>13</sup> You pushed me violently so that I was falling, But the LORD helped me.

## Outline (continued)

### C. When You Are \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 118:22

Psalm 118:22 (NASB) <sup>22</sup> The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner stone.

He is For you! Psalm 118:6-7

Psalm 118:6-7 (NASB) <sup>6</sup> The LORD is for me; I will not fear; What can man do to me? <sup>7</sup> The LORD is for me among those who help me; Therefore I will look with satisfaction on those who hate me.

Psalms 56:8-11 (NASB) <sup>8</sup> You have taken account of my wanderings; Put my tears in Your bottle. Are they not in Your book? <sup>9</sup> Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call; This I know, that God is for me. <sup>10</sup> In God, whose word I praise, In the Lord, whose word I praise, <sup>11</sup> In God I have put my trust, I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?

## Outline (continued)

II. What \_\_\_\_\_ Are There From Praising the Lord?

A. He is Your \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 118:8-9

Psalm 118:8-9 (NASB) <sup>8</sup> It is better to take refuge in the LORD  
Than to trust in man.

<sup>9</sup> It is better to take refuge in the LORD Than to trust in princes.

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Psalm 118:22 (NASB) <sup>22</sup> The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief corner stone.

What is the purpose of a cornerstone? In relation to architecture, a cornerstone is traditionally the first stone laid for a structure, with all other stones laid in reference. A cornerstone marks the geographical location by orienting a building in a specific direction.

Ephesians 2:19-22 (NASB) <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, <sup>20</sup> having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, <sup>22</sup> in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

## Outline (continued)

C. He is Your \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 118:27

Psalm 118:27 (NASB) <sup>27</sup> The LORD is God, and He has given us light;  
Bind the festival sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.

D. He is Your \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 118:14,15,21,25

Psalm 118:14-15 (NASB) <sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength and song, And  
He has become my salvation. <sup>15</sup> The sound of joyful shouting and  
salvation is in the tents of the righteous; The right hand of the  
LORD does valiantly. Psalm 118:21 (NASB) <sup>21</sup> I shall give thanks  
to You, for You have answered me, And You have become my  
salvation. Psalm 118:25 (NASB) <sup>25</sup> O LORD, do save, we beseech  
You; O LORD, we beseech You, do send prosperity!

## Outline (continued)

### Conclusion:

Philippians 4:4-6 (NASB) <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!

<sup>5</sup> Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 1:22 (NASB) <sup>22</sup> But if I am to live on in the flesh, this will mean fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which to choose.

Philippians 2:5-8 (NASB) <sup>5</sup> Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Philippians 3:10-11 (NASB) <sup>10</sup> that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; <sup>11</sup> in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

# Hallelujah!

Psalm 118:19-29 (NASB)



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# Psalm 118:26 (NASB)

26 Blessed is the one who comes in  
the name of the LORD; We have  
blessed you from the house of the  
LORD.



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    - A. When You Are Distressed

## Psalm 118:5 (NASB)

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  - B. When You Are Attacked

## Psalm 118:7 (NASB)

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  - B. When You Are Attacked
  - C. When You Are Rejected

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## Psalm 118:6-7 (NASB)

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What can man do to me?

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does valiantly.

# Psalm 118:19 (NASB)

<sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of  
righteousness; I shall enter through  
them, I shall give thanks to the LORD.



# Hallelujah! = Praise the Lord

Philippians 4:4-6 (NASB) <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentle *spirit* be known to all men. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

## Questions

1. If you were in the crowd on Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on that first Palm Sunday, would you have been in the front of the crowd, in the back of the crowd, not with a crowd at all, or not there? Why?
2. When you are distressed, what do you tend to do (your actions)? What are your normal emotions or feelings? What is your mind focused on?
3. When you are being attacked, what do you tend to do (your actions)? What are your normal emotions or feelings? What is your mind focused on?
4. When you have been rejected, what do you tend to do (your actions)? What are your normal emotions or feelings? What is your mind focused on?

## Questions (continued)

5. What does it mean for God to be “for you?” (Psalm 118:6-7) Do you see the Lord as primarily being for you or against you? Why?
6. How can praising the Lord and focusing on Him in song, adoration, meditation help you get through difficult times? What is there about worship that helps you “rise above” your circumstances?
7. How does focusing on Psalm 118:24 and relating it to Jesus’ death and resurrection, help you transform your hard and difficult days? How can the resurrection be applied to all of our sufferings and trials and enable us to be positive, victorious, and hopeful?
8. On a scale of 1-10 with 10 being high and 1 being low, give an evaluation of your “praise life”? What is your score? What steps could you begin to do to raise the level of your praise life to a place you would be content with?

## Questions (continued)

9. Who is there in your life who you feel does a great job of giving thanks and praising the Lord in good and bad times? Why not ask them how they do it?