



Psalm 115:1-18

- Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake.
 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is now their God?
- **3 But our God is in the heavens: he hath done**
- whatsoever he hath pleased.
- 4 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's hands.
- 5 They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not:
- 6 They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not:

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- 7 They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat.
- 8 They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that trusteth in them.
- **9 O Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he is their help and their shield.**
- **10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he is their help and their shield.**
- 11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he is their help and their shield.

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- 12 The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.
- 13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, both small and great.
- 14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.
- 15 Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.
- 16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

Psalm 115:1-18 - continued 17 The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence. 18 But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.

Introduction

A. The living God should be adored by a living people

B. A blessing God should be blessed by a blessing people

C. Our example should cause others to praise Psalm 103:1 Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

I. A Mournful Memory (v 17)

"The dead praise not the Lord, neither any that go down into silence."

- A. Of silenced voices in the body of Christ Acts 4:18
- And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.
- **B.** Of our own silence
- **Psalm 32:3**
- When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

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- C. Of the ungodly around us Isaiah 15:1
- The burden of Moab. Because in the night Ar of Moab is laid waste, and brought to silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is laid waste, and brought to silence;
- **D.** Of lost souls in Hell
- **Isaiah 38:18**
- For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.

II. A Happy Commitment (v 18) "But we will bless the Lord" 1 Thessalonians 5:18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. II. A Happy Commitment (v 18) We should resolve to give the Lord praise and thanks because....

A. We live Psalm 6:5 For in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks? Psalm 63:4 Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name. II. A Happy Commitment (v 18)
We should resolve to give the Lord praise and thanks because....
B. We live spiritually and righteously

Psalm 140:13 Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy presence. **II. A Happy Commitment (v 18)**

We should resolve to give the Lord praise and thanks because....

C. We are blessed of the Lord

Psalm 136 :23-26

23 Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy endureth for ever:

24 And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy endureth for ever.

25 Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy endureth for ever.

26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy

II. A Happy Commitment (v 18) We should resolve to give the Lord praise and thanks because....

D. He will bless usPsalm 5:12For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.

III. A Meet Commencement (v 18)

"We will bless the Lord from this time forth."

- A. When the heathen ask (v 2)
- **B.** When under a sense of mercy (v 12)
- C. When spiritually renewed and comforted (v 12-14)
- **D.** When led to confess Christ
- **Romans 15:8-9**
- 8 Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers:
- 9 And that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy name.

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- E. When years end and begin
- **Psalm 77:9-11**
- 9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah.
- 10 And I said, This is my infirmity: but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most High.
- **11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.**

IV. An Everlasting Continuance (v 18) "from this time forth and for evermore" A. Weariness shall not stop it **Isaiah 40:31** But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Psalm 34:1

I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

IV. An Everlasting Continuance (v 18) "from this time forth and for evermore" **B.** Failure shall not end it **Psalm 51:14-15** 14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness. 15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

IV. An Everlasting Continuance (v 18)

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- **C. Death will not interrupt it**
- **Romans 8:38-39**
- **38** For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,
- **39** Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

IV. An Everlasting Continuance (v 18) "from this time forth and for evermore" **D.** No calamity should deprive God of our gratitude **Job 1:21** And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

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