

## Psalm 147

King James Version (KJV)

**147** Praise ye the LORD: for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and praise is comely. (comely- suitable, deserved)

<sup>2</sup>The LORD doth build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the outcasts of Israel. (probably meaning the tribe of Judah. They had split from Israel)

<sup>3</sup>He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. (wounds- also means griefs)

<sup>4</sup>He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names. (the stars- Revelation-12, God's children)

<sup>5</sup>Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite. Proverbs-1:7

<sup>6</sup>The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground. Mathew-23:12

<sup>7</sup>Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God:

<sup>8</sup>Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

<sup>9</sup>He giveth to the beast his food, and to the young ravens which cry. (They often jump out of the nest, or are deserted by their mothers. They must find food by themselves to survive)

<sup>10</sup>He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man. (HE does not like those who exalt themselves by their physical strength)

<sup>11</sup>The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy. (fear= revere)

<sup>12</sup>Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.

<sup>13</sup>For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed thy children within thee.

<sup>14</sup> He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

<sup>15</sup> He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: his word runneth very swiftly.

<sup>16</sup> He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.  
(Snow fertilizes the earth for farming)

<sup>17</sup> He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?  
(God is in control of heaven and earth)

<sup>18</sup> He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow.

<sup>19</sup> He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel.

<sup>20</sup> He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

Some believe that these last 5 Psalms form a group – each psalm is equivalent to one of the 5 Books of Moses – from-Genesis to Deuteronomy. Also they all begin and end with Hallelujah.