

Triumphant Tuesdays Bible Study  
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## Psalms 111

111 Praise ye the Lord. I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

2 The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3 His work is honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7 The works of his hands are verity and judgment; all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness.

9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend is his name.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.



















Psalms 111 is a hidden treasure in the Bible. The word of God says in Proverbs 25:2 Matthew 13:44 says "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. The bible also says that, "It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter."

What do we learn from or see in Psalms 111?

I say that Psalms 111 is a hidden treasure because it could easily go unnoticed in a list of Psalms that also praise and glorify God. This is a psalm that acknowledges God's goodness but at first glance it seems to be a random or disorganized list of what God has done.

## **Glory and beauty of God's Word**

- The structure of the psalm: Acrostic
  - o An acrostic is a poem in which the first letters of each line spell out a word or phrase
- The Hebrew alphabet
  - o Hebrew is the language that the Old Testament in the Bible is written in
    - Jesus says in Matthew 4:4 - But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.
    - There are 22 letters in the Hebrew alphabet
    - Each verse of Psalms 111 began with the letters of the Hebrew alphabet in order
  - o The beauty and mystery of God revealed in his Word
    - Described as:
      - Creative power - Genesis 1:3 - And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.
      - Living - 1 Peter 1:23 - Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible [seed], by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.
      - Spirit - John 6:63b - the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.
      - Seed - Luke 8:11 - Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.
      - A sword - Hebrews 4:12 - For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
      - A mirror - James 1:22-24 - But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

Name	Pictograph	Meaning	Name	Pictograph	Meaning
Aleph		Ox / strength / leader	Lamed		Staff / goad / control / "toward"
Bet		House / "In"	Mem		Water / chaos
Gimmel		Foot / camel / pride	Nun		Seed / fish / activity / life
Dalet		Tent door / pathway	Samekh		Hand on staff / support / prop
Hey		Lo! Behold! "The"	Ayin		Eye / to see / experience
Vav		Nail / peg / add / "And"	Pey		Mouth / word / speak
Zayin		Plow / weapon / cut off	Tsade		Man on side / desire / need
Chet		Tent wall / fence / separation	Qof		Sun on horizon / behind
Tet		Basket / snake / surround	Resh		Head / person / first
Yod		Arm and hand / work / deed	Shin		Eat / consume / destroy
Kaf		Palm of hand / to open	Tav		Mark / sign / covenant

### **Psalm 111. Hallelu-Jah!**

- (1) (N) I will praise the LORD with my whole heart  
(I) in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.
- (2) (A) The works of the LORD are great,  
(T) sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.
- (3) (F) His work is honourable and glorious:  
(I) and his righteousness endureth for ever.
- (4) (R) He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered:  
(F) the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- (5) (V) He hath given meat unto them that fear him:  
(Y) he will ever be mindful of his covenant.
- (6) (D) He hath shewed his people the power of his works,  
(T) that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.
- (7) (D) The works of his hands are verity and judgment;  
(I) all his commandments are sure.
- (8) (V) They stand fast for ever and ever,  
(Y) and are done in truth and uprightness.
- (9) (G) He sent redemption unto his people:  
(S) he hath commanded his covenant for ever:  
(P) holy and reverend is his name.
- (10) (F) The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom:  
(V) a good understanding have all they that do his  
commandments: (I) his praise endureth for ever.

### **The Greatness of God's Works (verses 1 - 6)**

- God's character
  - o What do you say about God?
- Elevating Him elevates/lifts and transforms you
  - o Romans 12:2 - And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
  - o 2 Corinthians 3:18 - But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.
- Greatness of Who He is vs greatness of what He's done
  - o His works are described as honorable, glorious, righteous, ever enduring
  - o The works of His hands
    - Us (mankind)

- Genesis 1:27 - So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.
- Creation
  - Genesis 1:1 - In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
  - John 1:3 - All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.
  - Psalms 147:4 - He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names.
- o He has made, given, shown, done

### **Verity and Judgment (verses 7 - 10)**

- Truth and Justice
  - o Verity - the state or quality of being true; accordance with fact or reality
    - John 17:17 - Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.
- Judgement - God's righteousness; just and fair
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    - Deuteronomy 32:4 - He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he
- The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom (verse 10)
  - o Proverbs 1:7 - The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.
  - o Proverbs 14:12 - There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.
  - o Proverbs 9:10 - The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding
  - o Isaiah 33:6 - And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation: the fear of the Lord is his treasure.
- God's promises are established
  - o His Word is true
    - Psalms 119:160 - Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.
  - o His Commands are sure
    - Hebrews 6:17-19a - Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath: That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope

set before us: Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul,  
both sure and stedfast[.]

o He keeps His Word

- Isaiah 55:10-11 - For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.