

“PRAISE THE LORD!”
(Psalm 146:1-10)

- I. Exhortation to PRAISE the Lord (Ps. 146:1-2)
 - A. Praise must be GENUINE and HEARTFELT
 - 1. The first clause is a command to OTHERS
 - 2. The second clause is a command to SELF
 - B. Praise should be LIFELONG and BEYOND

- II. Exhortation to TRUST the Lord (Ps. 146:3-5)
 - A. HUMAN LEADERS are not trustworthy
 - 1. They are MORTAL
 - 2. They CANNOT HELP (or SAVE)
 - B. ONLY GOD is trustworthy
 - 1. He gives TRUE HAPPINESS/JOY
 - 2. He gives TRUE CONFIDENCE

- III. Explanation for PRAISING the Lord (Ps. 146:6-10)
 - A. He is the GREAT CREATOR (Ps. 146:6a; 19:1; Rev. 4:11; cf. Rom. 1:18-21)
 - B. He KEEPS FAITH forever (Ps. 146:6b)
 - C. He CARES for the OPPRESSED (Ps. 146:7a)
 - D. He FEEDS the HUNGRY (Ps. 146:7b)

- E. He RELEASES the PRISONER (Ps. 146:7c)
- F. He ENLIGHTENS the BLIND (Ps. 146:8a)
- G. He LIFTS UP the DISTRESSED (Ps. 146:8b)
- H. He LOVES the RIGHTEOUS (Ps. 146:8c)
- I. He is IMPARTIAL (Ps. 146:9a)
- J. He SUPPORTS the DESTITUTE (Ps. 146:9b)
- K. He CONFOUNDS the WICKED (Ps. 146:9c)
- L. He is ETERNALLY SOVEREIGN (Ps. 146:10a)

IV. Exhortation to PRAISE the Lord—reprise (Ps. 146:10b)