

PRAISE

DEFINITION

- the act of **expressing** approval or admiration; commendation; laudation.
- the **offering** of **grateful homage** in words or song, as an act of worship

KEY TERMS

EXPRESS	to put (thought) into words ; to show, manifest, reveal ; show forth
EXTOL	to praise highly , exalt, celebrate, eulogize
GLORIFY	to cause to be, or treat as more splendid and excellent than would normally be considered
HOMAGE	reverence or respect paid or honored
LAUD	to praise, glorify, extol
OFFER	to present for acceptance or rejection ; put forth; render homage
POSTURE	disposition, attitude, position , condition or state (of affairs)

PRAISE IN SCRIPTURE - HEBREW

<u>WORD</u>	<u>PRONOUNCE</u>	<u>DEFINITION</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE REFERENCE</u>
YADAH (3034)	yaw-daw	to worship with the extended hand (in submission)	Psalms 9:1 - I will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.
BARAK * (1288)	baw-rak	to kneel or bow	Judges 5:2 * - Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered themselves.
HALAL (1984)	haw-lal'	boast, to make a show, shine	Psalms 150:6 - Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.
TOWDAH (8426)	to-daw'	to <u>confirm/give thanks</u> with the extended hand;	Psalms 50:23 - Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God.
TEHILLAH (8416)	teh-hil-lah	to sing a song (unexpected, unrehearsed)	Psalms 51:15 - O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
SHABACH (7623)	shaw-bakh	to shout, proclaim in a loud voice	Psalms 63:3 - Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.
ZAMAR (2167)	zaw-mar'	to sing (planned, prepared) with instruments	Psalms 21:13 - Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: so will we sing and praise thy power.

PRAISE IN SCRIPTURE - GREEK

AINESIS (133)	ah'ee-nes-is	a praising (a thank - offering)	Hebrews 13:15 - By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.
AINEO (134)	ahee-neh'-o	to praise	Romans 15:11 - And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.
AINOS (136)	ah'-ee-nos	(a story of) praise	Matthew 21:16 ...And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?
DOXA (1391)	dox'-ah	glory, dignity, honor, worship	John 12:42-43 Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.
EPAINEO (1867)	ep-ahee-neh'-o	to applaud, commend, laud	1 Corinthians 11:2 - Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you.
EPAINOS (1868)	ep'-ahee-nos	a laudation, a commendable <thing>	Romans 13:3 - For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:
HUMNEO * (5214)	hoom-neh'-o	to hymn, celebrate in song, sing a hymn	Hebrews 2:12 * - Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

CREATED TO PRAISE

Psalms 86:9 - All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.

Psalm 102:18 - This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.

Isaiah 43:7 - Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

Isaiah 43:21 - This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.

1Peter 2:9 - But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

WORSHIP - THE SACRIFICE OF PRAISE

Psalm 54:6 - I will **freely sacrifice** unto thee: I will **praise (yadah)** thy name, O LORD; for it is good.

Jeremiah 33:11 - The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, **Praise (yadah) the LORD of hosts**: for the LORD is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: and of them that shall bring the **sacrifice of praise (towdah)** into the house of the LORD. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the LORD.

Hebrews 13:15 - By him therefore let us **offer the sacrifice of praise (ainesis)** to God continually, that is, the **fruit of our lips** giving thanks to his name.

WORSHIP REQUIRES AN OFFERING

1 Chronicles 16:29 - Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: **bring an offering**, and come before him: **worship the LORD** in the beauty of holiness.

Psalms 96:8 - Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: **bring an offering**, and come into his courts.

INSIGHTS OF PRAISE

- **EXPRESSION** determines **IMPRESSION**
- to **PRAISE HIM**, you must '**RAISE**' HIM
- **PRAISE** requires **PASSION** - **PASSION** requires **PAIN**: no **PAIN**, no **PASSION**, no **PRAISE**
- when you '**refuse to SPEAK**' (**PRAISE** - i.e. Ex 4:10-13), you '**cannot hold the ROD**' (**have no POWER** - Ex 7:9-12)
- **LOVE** validates **PRAISE** (e.g. 1 Corinthians 13:1, Ephesians 5:2, James 2:14-16)

FAILURE TO PRAISE

Acts 12:21-23 - And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them. And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man. And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, **because he gave not God the glory**: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

WHEN PRAISES GO UP.....

2 Chronicles 20:21-22 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should **praise (halal) the beauty of holiness**, as they went out before the army, and to say, **Praise (yadah) the LORD**: for his mercy endureth for ever. **And when they began to sing and to praise (tehillah)**, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten.

BLESSINGS COME DOWN.....

2 Chronicles 20:25-26 And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and **they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much**. And **on the fourth day** they assembled themselves in the **valley of Berachah**: **for there they blessed the LORD**: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of Berachah, unto this day.

PAIN'S RELATIONSHIP TO PRAISE

The **DEGREE** of your **PAIN**
will determine
the **STRENGTH** of your **PRAISE**

TROUBLED IN SPIRIT

PHAROAH	Genesis 41:8 And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but there was none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.	• GOD troubles the wicked (Pharaoh) to make opportunity for the righteous (Joseph)
NEBUCHADNEZZAR	Daniel 2:1 And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him.	
DANIEL	Daniel 7:15 I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.	• GOD troubles the RIGHTEOUS to purge and prepare for the PROPHECY
JESUS	John 11:33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, John 13:21 When Jesus had thus said, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.	• The agony of JESUS over the unbelief of the saints, and the betrayal of His Followers

HEREDITARY PAIN

JABEZ	1 Chronicles 4:9-10 And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow. And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.	• JABEZ means PAIN • no mention of father suggests rape, incest, or illegitimate birth
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PROPHETIC PAIN

ISAIAH	Isaiah 21:3 Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing of it; I was dismayed at the seeing of it.	• the vision of Babylons destruction
JEREMIAH	Jeremiah 15:18 Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed? wilt thou be altogether unto me as a liar, and as waters that fail?	• The peoples rejection of GOD

ADVERSARIAL PAIN

DAVID	Psalms 25:18 Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins	• the MORE sins you confess to GOD, the LESS power Satan has over you
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SUPPLEMENTAL PASSAGES ON PRAISE

Dt 10:21 - He is thy praise, and he is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things, which thine eyes have seen.

Ps 9:1 - I will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.

Ps 21:13 - Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: so will we sing and praise thy power.

Ps 22:22 - I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

Ps 30:12 - To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

Ps 34:1 - I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Ps 40:3 - And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

Ps 42:11 - Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

Ps 51:15 - O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Ps 67:3 - Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

Ps 100:4 - Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

Ps 107:8 - Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

Ps 115:17 - The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.

Ps 118:21 - I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

Ps 119:164 - Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous judgments.

Ps 139:14 - I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

Ps 149:3 Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.

Isa 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.