

**One Generation to Another**  
**Psalm 145**  
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- an acrostic poem (verses begin with letters of Hebrew alphabet)
- at the end of Israel's exile
- re. the King & the Kingdom (see Luke 17:20)
- celebration of the *greatness* of God
- celebration of the *goodness* of God
- begins and ends personally: "I", and "My"...

I. Praise the Name of God the King (vv.1-2)

- A. Praise!
1. Title of the Psalms (in Hebrew)
  2. Title of Psalm 145 (the only one so-titled)
  3. Introduction to the last five (5) psalms (called the *Hallel - Hallelu Yah*)  
(sung every morning, before morning prayers)
- B. Daily and continuing life of praise
- C. Yahweh - personal and covenantal name of God ("I AM" - Exodus 3:13-15)

II. Praise the Greatness of the LORD (vv. 3-7)

- A. "across-the-generations telling (v. 4; s.a. Exod 12:14, 24-28; Deut 6:20ff.)
1. The surpassing power of God
  2. The mighty acts of God (s.a. Exod 6:6-8)
- B. Inter-generational singing

III. Praise the Glory of the LORD (vv. 8-13a)

- A. The glory of his Name  
(vv. 8-9; s.a. Exod 33:13-15; 34:5-10)
- B. The praise of his Name (v. 10)
- C. The glory of his Kingdom  
(vv. 11-13a; s.a. Daniel 4:3, 34)

v. 11	v. 12
"tell...the glory"...of your kingdom	"know your mighty acts"
"speak of your might"	"glorious splendor of your kingdom"

IV. Praise the Goodness of the LORD (vv. 13b-20)

- A. The Lord is faithful to all (v. 13b)
- B. The Lord upholds & provides for all (vv. 14-16; "every living thing" v. 16)
1. He lifts them up (v. 14b)
  2. He gives them food (v. 15b)
  3. He satisfies their desires (v. 16)
- C. The Lord is righteous and loving (v. 17)
- D. The Lord is near to all... (vv. 18-19)
1. ...who call to him in Truth
  2. ...who reverence (worship) him
  3. ...who need saving/deliverance (v. 19; Exod 3:7-9)
- E. The Lord watches over all... (v. 20)
1. ...who love him
  2. "but the wicked he will destroy" (Exod 33:7)

V. Praise the Name of the LORD (vs. 21)

- A. Praise is personal, universal, continual (s.a. Revelation 5:8ff.)
- B. Learn the habits of praise (note: Psalm 145 is an acrostic poem, help in singing)

**"The church is a living chain of worship of the Great King!"**