

**PRAISE HIM! PRAISE HIM!**  
**PSALM 146**





# PRAISE THE LORD

- **Psalm 146:1** - Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

# PRAISE THE LORD AS LONG AS YOU LIVE

- **Psalm 146:2** - I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

# LIMITED TIME

- **Psalm 144:4** - Man is like a breath; his days are like a passing shadow.
- **James 4:14** - What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.

# PUT NOT YOUR TRUST IN MAN

- **Psalm 146:3-4** - 3 Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. 4 When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

# REASONS TO PUT TRUST IN GOD AND NOT MAN

## 1. God Cannot Change But Men are Subject to Change

**Hebrews 13:8** - 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

**Malachi 3:6** - 6 "For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed."

# REASONS TO PUT TRUST IN GOD AND NOT MAN

## 2. Men Lie But God Cannot Lie

**Numbers 23:19** - God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it?

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## 3. Men Can Fail But God Cannot Fail

**Joshua 21:45** - 45 Not one word of all the good promises that the Lord had made to the house of Israel had failed; all came to pass.

**Proverbs 14:12** - There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.



# REASONS TO PUT TRUST IN GOD AND NOT MAN

## 4. God Cannot Forget His Promise But Men Can Easily Forget Their Promise

**Isaiah 49:15-16** - Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. 16 Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me.

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**Genesis 8:1** - But God remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the livestock that were with him in the ark.

**Genesis 30:22** - 22 Then God remembered Rachel, and God listened to her and opened her womb.

**Exodus 2:24** - 24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.

# BLESSED IS HE WHOSE HOPE IS IN THE LORD

- **Psalm 146:5-7(a)** - 5 Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, 6 who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; 7 who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

# PLACES WHERE PEOPLE MISPLACE THEIR HOPE

## 1. Finances and Credit Cards

**Proverbs 11:28** - Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf.

**1 Timothy 6:17** - 17 As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.

**Proverbs 10:3** - The Lord does not let the righteous go hungry, but he thwarts the craving of the wicked.

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## 2. Technology

### Fall of Jericho – False Faith in the Great Wall Around their City

**Joshua 6:20** - 20 So the people shouted, and the trumpets were blown. As soon as the people heard the sound of the trumpet, the people shouted a great shout, and the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they captured the city.

# PLACES WHERE PEOPLE MISPLACE THEIR HOPE

## 3. Feelings and Secular Humanism

**Proverbs 28:26** - Whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom will be delivered.

**1 Corinthians 1:20** - 20 Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

# THE LORD LIFTS UP

- **Psalm 146:7(b)-8** - The Lord sets the prisoners free; 8 the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

# THE LORD LIFTS UP

- **James 4:10** - 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up. (NIV)



# THE LORD WATCHES OVER HIS PEOPLE

- **Psalm 146:9** - The Lord watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

# THE LORD WILL REIGN FOREVER

- **Psalm 146:10** - The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

# LET YOUR PRAISE BE A LIGHT TO THE WORLD

- **Matthew 5:14-16** - 14 “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.