

Notes and Quotes

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Read Psalm 105:1-5

Find in this passage several actions you can take immediately:

(1) Make Known The Lord's Deeds (vs.1,2): when in the last time you spoke to someone of the Lord's good deeds? If you are genuinely impressed by God's grace, and you have made the personal choices to be a participant in God's gracious offer of salvation, can you remain silent? Make known the Lord's deeds.

(2) Sing Praises To Him (v.2). Singing is the outward expression of inner conviction, joy and belief. Conviction that sin is deadly, joy that Christ redeems us and belief that we can have God in our lives. You can sing praises to God, not only in the assembly but in your heart anytime.

(3) Glory In His Holy Name (v.3). You can give glory to God, by the way you speak, act, react, live and think. "Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to His name; worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness," (Psa. 29:2).

(4) Be Glad (v.3). "...let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice." The NAS says, "let the heart of those who seek the Lord be glad." This is not a pretended happiness

or a superficial smile. This is the depth of joy faithful children of God have, because they live daily under the care and love of God. "Let the heart of those who seek the Lord be glad."

(5) Seek The Lord And His Strength (v.4). "Seek" here means – active, persevering effort, as in Col. 3:1, "seek those things which are above," and Matt. 6:33, "seek first the kingdom." Remember the turtle – he never makes any progress until he sticks his neck out.

Albert Barnes: **Make known his deeds among the people** - What he has done in former times. The allusion is to his acts in behalf of his people in delivering them from Egyptian bondage, and bringing them to the promised land. The word "people" here refers to the Hebrew people; and the exhortation is, **that the knowledge of these deeds should be diffused and kept up among them.** One of the ways of doing this was that proposed by the psalmist, to wit, by a psalm of praise - by recording and celebrating these acts in their devotions. **One of the most effective modes of keeping up the knowledge of what God has done in our world is by songs of praise in worshipping assemblies.**