

Perpetual Praise for the Great Potentate

INTRO: *The Psalms were Israel's inspired hymnal. We don't know the tunes to which they were sung, but like any worship song, the words are the most important feature. Psalm 145 recognizes God's worthiness of perpetual praise from His people as the Great King. What a way to begin a new year!*

- I. As _____, God is deserving of our *perpetual* _____ (1-3).** *Along with praise, God's Kingdom (His sovereign dominion) is the theme of this Davidic psalm.*
- II. God's people fail to provide the *perpetual* _____ God deserves as _____. Sin and busy-ness ("the tyranny of the urgent") pull us away from worship.**
- III. Praise God *perpetually* as _____ (4-21).** *The psalmist gives five reasons to bolster praise of God as King in the New Year.*
- A. God's _____.** *This is observable in the acts He performs in every generation.*
- B. God's _____.** *God's character is summed up in this word. It is stored up, ready to be dispensed (Cf. Ps. 31:19).*
- C. God's _____.** *This is NOT a reference to the Davidic Kingship, but to God's universal and eternal reign.*
- D. God's _____.** *God's beneficence to all people is shared with open hands.*
- E. God's _____.** *Unmerited favor is experienced by those in covenant relationship with God.*