

Praise the Lord, My Soul

Psalm 103:1-22

Key Verse: 103:1-2

1-2 Praise the Lord, my soul

3-5 Personal benefits

6 The Lord's work for his covenant people

7-12 Communal benefits

13-18 Mankind benefits

19 The Lord's reign over all

20-22 Praise the Lord, you his servants/works

1. Note the extent and progression of the Psalmist's praise to God (1-2, 20-22).
2. List and think of the magnitude of each of the Lord's benefits here (3-5). For what personal benefits do you praise the Lord? How can we not forget them?
3. Notice how verses 6 and 19 are like bookends. What has the Lord done? (6) How does the Lord work righteousness and justice for his covenant people? (7-12) How is this also true for Christians? (Col 1:13-14)
4. What is the scope of God's love for mere mortals? (13-18) Who, specifically, are the recipients of God's love and compassion? (11,13,17,18)
5. Who else is called to praise the Lord? (20-22) How does Jesus Christ fulfill this psalm? What is your response to the Lord and all his benefits?