

Praise Him Regardless of Circumstances

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Psalm 96:1-13

• Sing to the Lord. • Declare his glory. • Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. • Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness. • All of these admonitions are just and right. What do we do, however, when circumstances are overwhelmingly difficult, the load is heavy, and emotions are low? Do we just whip-up emotions that are neither genuine nor authentic? I don't think so.

The Holy Spirit can help us move past our feelings. • Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name • (Heb. 13:15). • Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus • (1 Thess. 5:18).

Let's admit it: often our predictable response to trials, crisis, and pain is to complain and feel sorry for ourselves. We have a choice. We can choose to praise God for who he is and his numerous attributes, regardless of our painful circumstances. Let's come to him with deep trust and solid confidence.

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