

Lesson 28

Psalm 116:1–11 (writer unknown)

- ¹I love the Lord, because He heard my voice.
He heard my cry for His help.
- ²Because He paid attention to me,
I will call out to Him as long as I live.
- ³The ropes of death were wrapped around me.
The horrors of the grave came over me.
I was overcome by sadness and sorrow.
- ⁴Then I called out to the Lord.
I cried out, “Lord, save me!”
- ⁵The Lord is holy and kind.
Our God is full of tender love.
- ⁶The Lord takes care of those who are not aware of danger.
When I was in great need, He saved me.
- ⁷I said to myself, “Be calm.
The Lord has been good to me.”
- ⁸Lord, You have saved me from death.
You have dried the tears from my eyes.
You have kept me from tripping and falling.
- ⁹So now I can enjoy life here with You
while I’m still living.
- ¹⁰I trusted in the Lord even when I said to myself,
“I am in great pain.”
- ¹¹When I was terrified, I said to myself,
“No one tells the truth.”

Questions

- 1 Does the Lord hear your voice and your cry for help? (Yes/No) _____. The Lord _____ my voice and my _____ for help. (Ps. 116:1)
- 2 Does the Lord pay attention to you? (Yes/No) _____. The Lord pays _____ to me. (Ps. 116:2)

- 3 How long should you call out to the Lord? I should call out to the Lord as _____ as I _____.
(Ps. 116:2)
- 4 What is the Lord like? The Lord is _____, kind, and full of _____. (Ps. 116:5)
- 5 Even if you are not aware of danger, does the Lord still take care of you? (Yes/No) _____.
(Ps. 116:6)
- 6 What do you need to tell yourself when you are overcome by sadness and sorrow? I need to tell myself, “Be _____. The Lord has been _____ to me.” (Ps. 116:7)
- 7 What does the Lord do when you call out to Him in desperate need? The Lord saves me from _____, dries the _____ from my eyes, and keeps me from _____ and _____. (Ps. 116:8)

Jude 1:24

Give praise to the God who is able to keep you from falling into sin. He will bring you into His heavenly glory without any fault. He will bring you there with great joy.

- 8 No matter what you are facing, can you enjoy life while you are still living? (Yes/No) _____. I can enjoy life here while I’m still living, because the Lord is **W** _____ me. (Ps. 116:9)
- 9 What are you to do when you are in great pain and terrified, and no one tells the truth? When I am in great pain and terrified, and no one tells the truth, I am to _____ in the Lord. (Ps. 116:10–11)

Psalm 117:1–2 (writer unknown)

¹All you nations, praise the Lord.
All you people on earth, praise Him.
²Great is His love for us.
The Lord is faithful forever.

Praise the Lord.

Questions

- 10 What reasons do you have to praise the Lord? I praise the Lord because His love for me is _____ and because He is _____ forever. (Ps. 117:1–2)

Psalm 118:1, 4–8, 13–14, 19–29 (writer unknown)

¹Give thanks to the Lord, because He is good.
His faithful love continues forever.

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⁴Let those who have respect for the Lord say,
“His faithful love continues forever.”

⁵When I was in great trouble, I cried out to the Lord.
He answered me and set me free from my trouble.

⁶The Lord is with me. I will not be afraid.
What can mere human beings do to me?

⁷The Lord is with me. He helps me.
I win the battle over my enemies.

⁸It is better to go to the Lord for safety
than to trust in mere human beings.

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¹³I was pushed back and about to be killed.
But the Lord helped me.

¹⁴The Lord gives me strength and makes me secure.
He has saved me.

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¹⁹Open for me the gates where the godly can go in.
I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

²⁰This is the gate of the Lord.
Only those who do what is right can go through it.

²¹Lord, I will give thanks to You, because You answered me.
You have saved me.

²²The Stone the builders didn't accept
has become the most important stone of all.

²³The Lord has done it.
It is wonderful in our eyes.

²⁴The Lord has done it on this day.
Let us be joyful today and be glad.

²⁵Lord, save us.
Lord, give us success.

²⁶Blessed is the One who comes in the Name of the Lord.
From the temple of the Lord we bless You.

²⁷The Lord is God.
He has been good to us.

Take branches in your hands. Join in the march on the day of the feast.
March up to the corners of the altar.

²⁸You are my God, and I will praise You.
You are my God, and I will honour You.

²⁹Give thanks to the Lord, because He is good.
His faithful love continues forever.

Questions

- 11) What reasons do you have to give thanks to the Lord? I give thanks to the Lord because He is _____ and His faithful love _____ forever. (Ps. 118:1)
- 12) What are you to do when you are in great trouble? I am to _____ out to the Lord when I am in great trouble. (Ps. 118:5)
- 13) Are you ever to be afraid? (Yes/No) _____. Why not? I am never to be afraid because the Lord is _____ me and _____ me. What can _____ humans do to me? (Ps. 118:6–7)
- 14) What is better than trusting in human beings? It is better for me to _____ to the Lord for _____ than to trust in human beings. (Ps. 118:8)
- 15) What does the Lord do for you when you go to Him for safety? When I go to the Lord for safety, He gives me _____, makes me _____, and _____ me. (Ps. 118:14)
- 16) What are you free to do when you live a godly life in Jesus and do what is right? When I live a godly life in Jesus and do what is right, I am free to _____ the gate of the Lord and go _____ it to give _____ to the Lord. (Ps. 118:19–20)

John 10:7, 9a

So Jesus said again, “What I’m about to tell you is true. I am like a gate for the sheep.... Anyone who enters through Me will be saved.

- 17) Why can you give thanks to the Lord? I can give thanks to the Lord because He _____ me and _____ me. (Ps. 118:21)

Matthew 21:42

Jesus said to them [the chief priests and the Pharisees], “Haven’t you ever read what the Scriptures say, ‘The stone the builders didn’t accept has become the more important stone of all. The Lord has done it. It is wonderful in our eyes.’”



In this verse, Jesus is quoting Psalm 118:22–23. That means the writer of this psalm was prophesying about Jesus!

- 18 Who is the Stone the builders did not accept, but who has become the most important stone of all? **J**_____ is the Stone the builders did not accept, but who has become the most important stone of all.
- 19 Who are the builders who did not accept Jesus? The **P**_____ are the builders who did not accept Jesus.



Psalm 118:25–27 is another prophesy about Jesus, referring to the time when Jesus came into Jerusalem riding on a donkey as crowds of people praised Him (Matthew 21:1–11, Mark 11:1–11, Luke 19:28–44, and John 12:12–19).

- 20 Like the writer of this psalm, what should you do every day? Why? Each day I should _____ the Lord my God and give Him **h**_____ and _____, because He is _____ and His faithful love continues _____. (Ps. 118:28–29)

How did the Holy Spirit speak to you this week as you studied these Bible verses? In other words, what did you learn this week from reading God’s Word?
