

LIFE GROUP NOTES:
(Psalm 147)

Week Beginning 26th January 2019
'PRAISE CHANGES THINGS!'

Q. WHAT places/events/experiences in the natural world make the biggest impression on you and **WHY?**

Q. HOW does that place/event/experience stir us to **PRAISE** in the Lord and **WHY** do you think that is?

As (Psalm 147) both begins and ends in **PRAISE** share just one thing you have been **PRAISING GOD** for this past week.

The questions that follow flow from the three cycles of **PRAISE** this Psalm gives us with that should be **MUSIC TO THE EARS** of us all.

Praise God for RECOVERY: (Vs. 1-6)

The writer is praising God for Israel's national recovery from exile to let us know that the very same God who names the stars (Vs. 4) is able to heal our broken hearts (Vs.3) and sustain us in times of danger (Vs.6).

Q. WHAT might our country/church/life need **RECOVERY** from or for?

Q. Can you think of anyone **WHO** bounced back with God and whose life after disappointment, disobedience or disaster proved fruitful?

Q. HOW does (Vs.5-6) encourage us to know that we have a God who makes all **RECOVERY** possible, be that spiritual, moral, emotional, economic, addictive or marital?

Praise God for RESOURCES: (Vs.7-11)

Q. WHAT does God provide for us that we know we need continually?

Q. HOW does God taking care of young ravens illustrate the way He cares for us? (Vs.9 & Matthew 6:26)

Q. WHAT does God desire from His people and **WHY?** (Vs.10-11a)

Q. WHERE does faith come in to our need to **PRAISE** God? (Vs.11b)

Praise God for REVELATION: (Vs.12-20)

- Q. WHY** is the Word of God so important a part of PRAISE? (Vs.15 & 1 Peter 1:23-25)
- Q. WHAT** do (Vs.16-18) tell us about God's Word that helps PRAISE?
- Q. WHO** is the Word of God delivered to and **WHY** does this make it a blessing? (Vs. 19-20 & Malachi 4:4 & Romans 10:17ff)
- Q. HOW** does the word of God direct us in PRAISE? Give examples.

Spent some time to end PRAISING God for answered PRAYER
before going on to PRAY for more answers to PRAISE Him for.

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