

**INTRODUCTION: THE DOXOLOGY OF THE WHOLE PSALTER** ((1) 41:13; (2) 72:18,19; (3) 89:52; (4) 106:48; (5) 150:1-6; see Ps.145-150 (5x); five-fold; *crescendo*)

**I. OPENING CALL TO PRAISE** (1,2)

**A. GENERAL CALL** (1; see 147:1,etc.)

**B. PARTICULAR EXAMPLE** (1b,2; see 145:1,2; see 2Th.3:7,9)

1. whole person (1b; see Gen.2:7; Ps.103:1,22; Lk.10:27)

2. whole lifetime (2a,b; see Ps.63:4; 104:33; 116:2)

3. the LORD my God: covenant mercies (2; see 5,10; see Ex.6:7; Ps.31:14; Song 2:16; Acts 2:32; 1Cor.6:19; Eph.2:5f; Col.1:13; see 1Jn.4:19)

**II. WARNING AGAINST FALSE HOPE, WITH PROOFS** (3,4)

**A. PATRONS: THOSE ABLE & WILLING TO HELP** (3; see Jms.2:1f)

**B. HUMANS: RETURN TO HUMUS** (4; see Gen.2:7; 3:19; Ps.33:17; 90:3; 104:29; Eccl.3:20; 12:7; Lk.12:20; e.g., Egypt, Is.30:7; SCOTUS)

**III. EXHORTATION TO TRUE HOPE, WITH PROOFS** (5-10a)

**A. ASSERTION: THE LORD HIS GOD** (5)

1. God of *Jacob* // LORD *his God* (5a,b; see 2,10; 147:19; Gen.28:21; 50:24; see Acts 2:32)

2. present help & future hope (5a,b; see 1Sam.7:12; Ps.9:18; 31:24; 33:18; 131:3)

**B. PROOFS: FROM CREATION** (6; see Gen.1:1f,26; Ex.20:11; Neh.9:6; Ps.69:34; 96:11; 135:6; Acts 4:24; 14:15; Rev.10:6; see Jn.1:3; Col.1:16; Heb.1:2)

**B<sup>1</sup>. PROOFS: FROM PROVIDENCE** (6b-10a)

1. **general**: faithful to remove oppression & provide needs (6b,7a; 145:15,16; see Dt.10:18; Ps.103:6; 140:12; Prov.29:26; Lk.18:7; see 7b-9; Mt.5:45; Tt.3:14)

2. **particular**: specific needs met specifically (7b-9; see 145:14-20; Tt.3:14)

a. bonds / **breaks** (7b; see 68:6; Is.61:1=Lk.4:18; e.g., *addictions*)

b. blinds / **opens** (8a; see Lk.4:18; 7:21; 18:35f; Jn.8:12; 12:35; Acts 26:18; Eph.5:8; 1Jn.1:6; 2:11; e.g., *confusion*)

c. down cast / **lifts up** (8b; 145:14b; see 30:1; 34:18f; 37:24; Lk.4:18; 7:22; e.g., *depression*)

d. hated / **loves** (8c; see 145:20; Mt.5:10; 10:22; 24:9; 1Pt.3:14; see Jn.15:18,24,25; e.g., *persecution*)

e. defenseless / **keeps** (9a; see 68:5; 94:6; see Dt.24:17f; Jer.7:6; Zech.7:10; Mal.3:5; Lk.4:18; Jms.1:27; Heb.13:2; e.g., *violence*)

f. crooked / **bends** (9b; 145:20; see Ps.18:26; see Dt.10:18; e.g., *deceivers*)

**A<sup>1</sup>. ASSURANCE: THE LORD YOUR GOD** (10a)

1. the LORD in Zion (10a; see 99:2; 102:16f; 110:2; 125:1; 135:21; Heb.12:22f)

2. eternal throne (10a; see 47:1f; Ex.15:18; Lk.1:33 (Dan.2:44); Acts 2:33f; Eph.1:20f)

**IV. CLOSING CALL TO PRAISE** (10b; see 1-10a)

**CONCLUSION: PRAISE THE LORD!** (146:1&10; all Psalms, esp. 146-150; Rev.5:9)

*Brethren, what shall WE DO?* (see Acts 2:37f)