Pv. 105:1, "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim His name; make known among the nations what He has done."

The Hebrew word for *praise* is **hovdu** which means *to confess*, *give thanks*, *worship or bow before with confession*. And, the Hebrew for *proclaim* is **kiru** which means *to shout out*, *proclaim or invite*. When you combine these phrases together, we are to worship Him with loud praise inviting Him to be in our presence. Now, there is no doubt that the LORD is everywhere all the time. Wherever you go He is there. But King David was issuing this psalm as a command to his army and his people. He was reminding the people that all of the victories, all of the blessings, all of the recognition for success must go to the LORD.

Our LORD is the only One worthy of praise. He is the only one Who deserves to be lifted up and exalted. If we don't praise Him, the rocks and the trees will cry out. All of creation knows the Creator. We can never take the credit for anything eternal. Only the LORD Himself is worthy of praise and worship. Many people love to brag about their accomplishments. They want to tell you how smart they were or how strong they were. The fact is, none of us could do anything without the help of the LORD. We only exist because of Him. He gives strength. He gives wisdom. As Job so rightly put it in **Job 1:21** and said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away; may the name of the LORD be praised."

In times of blessing and in times of trouble, we must be praising the One and Only One Who deserves our praise. He is the LORD. He is King and Master. He is Almighty God. Let's praise Him today!

Dear LORD, You and You alone are worthy of our praise. We will proclaim Your name today. We will make known You name and what You have done. You are our awesome God! In Jesus Name, Amen.