

## **A Study of the Wisdom Literature** **(OT Survey Lesson 274—Psalms 148-150)**

**Introduction:** The last three psalms seem to intensify the need to praise the Lord. Their compass includes everything in heaven and earth. The psalmists urge those who read to simply “praise the Lord”.

**Lesson aim:** To see the worthiness of God to be praised by all.

### **A psalm invoking the whole creation to praise the Lord— Psalm 148:1-14**

1. The psalmist begins by urging the praise of God from where? (v. 1)
2. What heavenly beings are urged to praise Him? (v. 2) What celestial bodies? (v. 3)
3. What else in the heavens is urged to praise God? (v. 4) Why? (v. 5)
4. In the second section the psalmist invokes the praise of God from what place? (v. 2)
5. What categories of things are urged to praise God? (v. 7-12)
6. Why should God’s name alone be praised? (v. 13)
7. What people in particular were urged to praise God? (v. 14) Why?

### **A psalm urging God’s people to praise Him—Psalm 149:1-9**

1. What are worshippers urged to sing to the Lord? (v. 1)
2. What relation does God have to Israel in particular? (v. 2)
3. With things were to accompany the praise of God? (v. 3)
4. Why is God worthy of this praise? (v. 4)
5. What does the psalmist urge “the godly ones” to do? (v. 5) What is to be in their mouth? (v. 6) In their hand?

6. What use are the Lord's people to make of the two-edged sword? (v. 7-9)  
What did the psalmist regard this to be? (v. 9b)

**A final psalm of praise—Psalm 150:1-6**

1. Where is God to be praised? (v. 1)
2. For what is God to be praised? (v. 2)
3. With what is God to be praised? (v. 3-5) Who used these instruments?  
Were they commanded by God? If so, where?
4. Who is to give praise to God? (v. 6)