

IMPACT OF PRAISE

How Praise Changes Hearts, Homes, Churches, and Nations

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A Scripture-based journey into worship, prayer, testimony and revival.

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Dedication

This book is dedicated to every believer who longs to know God more deeply and to every congregation that desires to become a house of prayer and praise. It is also dedicated to the people of South Africa, with a prayer that gratitude, worship, repentance, unity and faith will rise in every generation.

Prayer

Father, let praise rise from hearts that know You, homes that honour You, churches that seek You, and communities that need Your hope. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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I give thanks first to God the Father, to Jesus Christ my Saviour and Lord, and to the Holy Spirit, who calls the Church into worship, prayer, truth and faithful witness.

I am grateful for every preacher, teacher, worshipper, prayer partner, family member and friend whose faithfulness has demonstrated that praise is not confined to a platform. It is a way of life. I also acknowledge the generations of Christians in South Africa whose prayers and worship have carried hope through difficult seasons.

May this book encourage readers not merely to speak about praise, but to become people whose lives continually point to the greatness and goodness of God.

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Preface

Why Write About Praise?

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How to Use This Book

This book may be read privately, used as a devotional, studied in a small group, or adapted as teaching material for a church. Each chapter develops one aspect of praise and closes with practical reflection. The aim is not merely to gather information but to practise praise.

When a Scripture is quoted or referenced, read the surrounding passage as well. Ask what the text reveals about God, what response it calls for, and how that truth can shape your worship. Keep a notebook for testimonies, answered prayers, Scriptures and new insights.

Most importantly, stop regularly while reading and praise. A book about worship should lead to worship.

Reflection and application

- Read with an open Bible.
- Keep a praise journal.
- Practise the chapter before moving to the next one.
- Invite your family or church group to join you.

P.R.A.I.S.E.

A Simple Framework

P — Proclaim His greatness. Praise speaks about the greatness of God and refuses to make our problems the centre of the story.

R — Rejoice in the Lord. Rejoicing is a deliberate return to the goodness and faithfulness of God.

A — Adore Him with your whole heart. Love for God involves heart, soul, mind and strength.

I — Invite His rule into your life. Praise is not manipulation; it is surrender to the King we worship.

S — Sing of His greatness. Songs help truth travel from the mind into memory and shared confession.

E — Exalt His holy name. To exalt God is to give Him the highest place in our attention and allegiance.

A Prayer Before the Journey

Prayer

Father, thank You for the freedom to worship You. We ask You to meet us in an unusual way. Correct what is shallow, strengthen what is weak, heal what is broken, and turn our attention toward Your holiness and majesty. Teach us to praise You for who You are, for what You have done, and for what You will yet do. Let praise lead us into prayer, obedience, love and faithful witness. In Jesus' name. Amen.

The chapters that follow are an invitation to practise this prayer. Praise is not an escape from life. It is a God-centred way of entering life with truth, hope and reverence.

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Reflection and application

- Share one testimony of God's faithfulness with someone who needs encouragement.
- Choose a Psalm of praise and read it aloud slowly.
- Read Hebrews 13:15 in context and write one sentence about what it reveals about God.

Prayer

Lord, teach me the truth of we come to give. Let my praise be sincere,

*Scripture-shaped and centred on You. May my words and my life honour
Your name. Amen.*

Chapter 3: What Is Biblical Praise?

Part 1 of 7

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Chapter 3: What Is Biblical Praise?

Part 2 of 7

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Chapter 3: What Is Biblical Praise?

Part 4 of 7

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- Write down three things God has done and turn each one into a sentence of praise.

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Prayer

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Chapter 4: There Is No Age Limit to Praise

Part 1 of 7

“Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise.”

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Chapter 5: When Creation Worships

Part 1 of 7

“Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted.”

— Psalm 148:13

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Reflection and application

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Prayer

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Chapter 5: When Creation Worships

Part 2 of 7

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Reflection and application

- Write down three things God has done and turn each one into a sentence of praise.
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- Read Psalm 148:13 in context and write one sentence about what it reveals about God.

Prayer

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Chapter 5: When Creation Worships

Part 4 of 7

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Part 1 of 7

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Prayer

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Chapter 7: Praise Through Prayer

Part 7 of 7

“Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks.”

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Chapter 8: The Sound of Worship

Part 2 of 7

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Part 4 of 7

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Chapter 8: The Sound of Worship

Part 5 of 7

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Chapter 9: Praise Without Ceasing

Part 1 of 7

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Chapter 10: Praise in Difficult Times

Part 1 of 7

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Chapter 10: Praise in Difficult Times

Part 3 of 7

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Chapter 12: The Impact of Praise on Revival

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Chapter 12: The Impact of Praise on Revival

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Chapter 15: A Life That Praises God

Part 1 of 7

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Part 3 of 7

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Conclusion

Let Everything That Has Breath Praise the Lord

The impact of praise is not measured only by volume. Praise can be loud, but it can also be quiet and steady. Its deepest impact is seen when people become more aware of God, more thankful, more prayerful, more courageous, more compassionate and more willing to obey.

The invitation of this book is simple: do not wait for perfect circumstances. Praise God in the ordinary day. Praise Him when you understand and when you do not. Praise Him with testimony, prayer, song, instruments and speech. Let praise lead you into deeper prayer and faithful action.

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Prayer

Father, receive our praise. Let our homes, churches and nation know the hope of Jesus Christ. Amen.

30-Day Praise Journey

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30-Day Praise Journey

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Scripture Study Guide

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Final Prayer for South Africa

Prayer

Father, we thank You for South Africa. Where there is fear, give courage. Where there is division, raise peacemakers. Where there is corruption, awaken truth and integrity. Where there is poverty and pain, move Your people to compassion and practical service. Let churches become houses of prayer, praise, discipleship and love. Let children, young people, adults and the elderly know the joy of worshipping You. May praise never become an escape from responsibility, but a source of strength for faithful living. Revive Your people, deepen our love for Jesus, and let our lives bear witness to Your grace. In Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAISE THE LORD.