

PEOPLE SANG TO GOD

BABIES
UNIT 2
SESSION 3

LEADER BIBLE STUDY

CONTEXT AND COMMENTARY FOR PERSONAL STUDY AND PREPARATION

(For age-appropriate language, use the Bible story statements in the leader guide.)

Worshiping God through music has been a part of the Christian tradition since the beginning (1 Corinthians 14:26; Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16). Music styles have changed over time. Some churches prefer contemporary music, while others love to sing hymns. Regardless of style, churches across the globe lift their voices in united praise to the Father.

Worship connects us with the God of the universe, allowing us to reveal our adoration of who God is and what He has accomplished for us. Amid difficulty, the people of God worshiped Him after they returned from captivity and set the foundation of the new temple. Scripture says that the sound of their worship—singing, music, weeping, joyful shouts—was so loud that it was “heard far away.”

Praising God is a theme throughout Scripture, especially in the Psalms. In Psalm 145, King David declared various reasons that God is worthy of our praise. God’s kindness, goodness, faithfulness, and righteousness are all reasons to regularly praise Him.

Take some time this week to read Psalm 145. Read it to God as a prayer of praise and thanksgiving. Challenge yourself to read it multiple times throughout the week as you intentionally worship God for who He is. Ask God to help you worship Him with a range of emotions, just as Ezra and the people worshiped.

TEACHER TIP

Sing with babies throughout the session. Learn the songs for each unit so that you can sing them each week.



LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God hears me.

LIFE POINT

God hears His people praise Him.

BIBLE PASSAGE

Ezra 2:68–3:13

BIBLE VERSE

Praise God for He is good. *Psalm 135:3*

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