

CONTINUAL PROCLAMATION

Psalm 71:12 - 21

Devotional Reading: Ephesians 3:1 - 13

Background Scripture: Psalm 71:12 - 21

LESSON AIMS: the students will:

- Summarize what the Biblical writer does to maintain hope
- Contrast the Biblical basis for hope with secular ones
- Role-play a debate regarding conclusions from Lesson Aim 2

INTRODUCTION: While the author of this text is not given, we understand from the text he is an old man, or aging, and that he has seen exceptional trouble, which shows no signs of slowing. Against his failing strength, he looks back on God’s faithfulness. No matter our stage in life, each day we benefit when we look back on the goodness of God in our lives. Daily life is a journey consisting of tragedy, joy, heartbreak, and thankfulness. In all, we are able to praise God in every circumstance.

KEY VERSE *14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.*
Psalm 71:14 / KJV

LESSON:

God of Help

Psalm 71:12 - 16

SUMMARY: The psalmist reflected on God’s faithfulness. As he looked back and saw what God had done for him, the writer had confidence and faith in God to remain faithful to Him for the rest of his life. This is the importance of Scripture to us today. In His Word, we see the faithfulness of God in times past. Then, as we reflect on our own experiences, we remember His goodness toward us. therefore, we can have the same faith and confidence in our God.

QUESTIONS:

1. *What characteristics of God most remind you that He is unlike any other being?*
2. *Where do you see the seeds of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this psalm?*
3. *Why should people praise God?*

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DAY / DATE	SCRIPTURE	
<i>Mon., July 8th</i>	The Fragrance of Knowing God	2 Corinthians 2:12 - 17
<i>Tue., July 9th</i>	The Testimony of the Redeemed	Psalm 107:1 - 9
<i>Wed., July 10th</i>	Sing of God’s Deeds with Joy	Psalm 107:10 - 22
<i>Thurs., July 11th</i>	Hope Laid Up in Heaven	Colossians 1:3 - 12
<i>Fri., July 12th</i>	Proclaim Christ’s Boundless Riches	Ephesians 3:1 - 13
<i>Sat., July 13th</i>	Refuge in the Lord	Psalm 71:1 - 11
<i>Sun., July 14th</i>	Hope and Praise Continually	Psalm 71:12 - 21