

Unison Declarative Praise

Writer not named · Book V · The Egyptian Hallel

IN ONE SENTENCE



raise the LORD's name everywhere, for though he is high above all, he stoops to lift the poor from the dust.

Remember it: One-thirteen: the God above the heavens stoops to the ash heap.

MEMORY VERSE

He raises up the poor out of the dust, and
lifts up the needy from the ash heap,

Psalm 113:7 · World English Bible

HEBREW WORD

מֵעָפָר

"from dust" · verse 7

In the Psalms: thirteen times, in 12 psalms

עָפָר means "dust" or loose dirt. Adam was formed from the dust, and to dust he returns, so it is the lowest place a person can sit. Hannah's song uses the same words: God "raises up the poor out of the dust." The highest God reaches to the lowest place.

HOW THE PSALM MOVES

- 1-3 Praise the LORD's name from sunrise to sunset
- 4-6 The LORD is high above all, yet he stoops down
- 7-9 He lifts the poor from the dust and blesses the barren

MY NOTES



Listen. Hear Psalm 113 sung in the **Psalm Song** app, or free at ispress.de/psalms/113.

Cantillated. Sung: chanted back and forth between a leader and the people.

Praise & Thanksgiving

The LORD Reigns

FILL IN THE BLANKS

Praise the LORD's name _____, for though he is high above all, he
_____ to lift the _____ from the dust.

CHECK YOURSELF

1. How long is the LORD's name to be praised each day?

(A) Only in the morning

(B) From the rising of the sun to its going down

(C) Only on feast days

(D) At midnight

2. Where does he lift up the needy from?

(A) The sea

(B) The prison

(C) The ash heap

(D) The mountain

3. What does he do for the barren woman?

(A) Gives her a field

(B) Sends her to the temple

(C) Makes her a princess

(D) Settles her as a joyful mother of children

TALK IT OVER

1. What two things does the psalm say about God's position and God's actions?

2. How does God "stooping down" (v. 6) point us toward the coming of Jesus?

3. Who is sitting "in the dust" in your community, and how might you help lift them?

IN YOUR OWN WORDS: WHAT DOES PSALM 113 TEACH?

☐ I listened to the song

☐ I can say what it teaches

☐ I can say verse 7 by heart

☐ I know the picture word

Answers: Blanks: everywhere · stoops · poor · Check yourself: 1. B (v. 3) · 2. C (v. 7) · 3. D (v. 9)