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PICTURE WORD

Choir

IN ONE SENTENCE



ll creation, from angels and stars to sea creatures and kings, is called to praise the LORD who made it.

Remember it: One forty-eight: from angels to anchovies, the whole choir sings his name.

MEMORY VERSE

Let them praise Yahweh's name, for he commanded, and they were created.

Psalm 148:5 · World English Bible

HEBREW WORD

וְנִבְרָאוּ

"were created" · verse 5

In the Psalms: six times, in 5 psalms

וְנִבְרָאוּ means "and they were created." Its verb, נִבְרָא, is the word of Genesis 1:1, and in the Bible only God is ever its subject. Every creature in the psalm's long choir praises because the LORD spoke and it came to be.

HOW THE PSALM MOVES

1-6 Angels, sun, moon, stars, and heavens praise their Creator

7-12 Sea creatures, weather, hills, animals, and all peoples praise

13-14 His name alone is exalted; he lifts his people

MY NOTES



Listen. Hear Psalm 148 sung in the **Psalm Song** app, or free at ispress.de/psalms/148.

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

Praise & Thanksgiving

God in Creation

FILL IN THE BLANKS

All creation, from _____ and stars to sea creatures and _____, is called to praise the LORD who _____ it.

CHECK YOURSELF

1. Why should the heavens praise the LORD's name?

- ☐ (A) Because they are beautiful ☐ (B) Because they are eternal
☐ (C) For he commanded, and they were created ☐ (D) For they hold the rain

2. What fulfills the LORD's word?

- ☐ (A) The kings ☐ (B) The priests
☐ (C) The rivers ☐ (D) The stormy wind

3. Which people are called to praise together?

- ☐ (A) Young men and maidens, old men and children ☐ (B) Only the priests
☐ (C) Only the kings ☐ (D) Only Israel's warriors

TALK IT OVER

1. How does the psalm move from heaven to earth to people?

2. What does it mean that God made a decree for creation that will not pass away?

3. How can your daily work join creation's praise of God?

IN YOUR OWN WORDS: WHAT DOES PSALM 148 TEACH?

☐ I listened to the song

☐ I can say what it teaches

☐ I can say verse 5 by heart

☐ I know the picture word

Answers: Blanks: angels · kings · made · Check yourself: 1. C (v. 5) · 2. D (v. 8) · 3. A (v. 12)