

Psalms 145:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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Creation's universal worship—kol-ma'aseka (כָּל-מַעֲשֵׂיָךְ) "all your works"—includes both conscious praise from rational creatures and unconscious testimony from all creation. Romans 1:20 affirms that creation declares God's eternal power and divine nature. The phrase echoes Psalm 19:1, "The heavens declare the glory of God."

Thy saints shall bless thee (vachasideka yěbarekukha, וְחַסִּידֶיךָ יְבָרְכֻךָ)—chasidim (חַסִּידִים) "saints/godly ones" are those who have received and reflect God's chesed (חֶסֶד) "covenant love." While all creation unconsciously praises, the redeemed consciously and intentionally bless their Redeemer. This anticipates Revelation 5:13 where every creature joins the Lamb's worship.

Historical Context

The distinction between general creation-witness and particular saint-worship reflected Israel's understanding of their unique calling. All nations saw God's glory in creation (Psalm 19:1-4), but only Israel (and those joined to her) knew Him personally through covenant revelation. This foreshadowed the church's role as conscious worshipers among unconscious creation.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How does creation's praise rebuke believers' forgetfulness or half-heartedness in worship?
2. What does it mean for believers to 'bless' God rather than merely 'praise' Him?
3. How should observing nature's testimony to God's glory stimulate more fervent worship?

Interlinear Text

יִדּוּ וְיִבְרְכוּךָ:	יְהוָה !	כָּל	מַעֲשֵׂי יְיָ	וְחַסְדֵּי יְיָ	יְבָרְכוּךָ:
shall praise	thee O LORD	H3605	All thy works	and thy saints	shall bless
H3034	H3068		H4639	H2623	H1288

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 19:1 (Parallel theme): The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

Psalms 103:22 (Blessing): Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul.

1 Peter 2:9 (Holy): But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: