

# Psalm 67:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

## Analysis

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The repetition of this refrain (identical to verse 3) serves as liturgical emphasis, inviting congregational response. In Hebrew poetry, repetition intensifies meaning rather than merely restating it. This pattern creates a rhythm of prayer (blessing, vv. 1-2), theology (God's character, v. 4), and doxology (praise, vv. 3, 5). The structure teaches that right doctrine leads to right worship—understanding God's attributes prompts praise.

## Historical Context

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Temple worship utilized repeated refrains for congregational participation, ensuring even illiterate worshipers could join the liturgy. This democratized worship, making it accessible to all God's people regardless of education or social status.

## Related Passages

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**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

**1 John 4:8** — God is love

**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

## Study Questions

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1. How does repetition in Scripture and worship help internalize theological truth?
2. What role does corporate, structured liturgy play in your personal spiritual formation?
3. How can you ensure your worship reflects theological depth rather than mere emotional expression?

## Interlinear Text

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כָּלִים: שְׁעָם יְמִינָה אֱלֹהִים יְהֹוָה יְהֹוָה  
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## Additional Cross-References

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**Psalms 67:3** (Resurrection): Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

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