

Psalm 67

The Nations Exhorted to Praise God.

God be gracious to us and bless us,
And cause His face to shine upon us Selah

That Your way may be known on the earth,
Your salvation among all nations.

May the peoples praise You, God
May all the peoples praise You.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy;

For You will judge the peoples with fairness
And guide the nations on the earth. Selah

May the peoples praise You, God;
May all the peoples praise You.

The earth has yielded its produce;
God, our God, blesses us.

God blesses us,
So that all the ends of the earth may fear Him.

We will use five tools on our expedition that are built around five questions

- What questions were provoked within you?
- Did anything confuse you?
- Did anything move you emotionally?
- Did God instruct you to do something?
- Did you gain any insight into God's character

Paul's observations and insights

1. What is it to be gracious?
2. How might you show grace to someone else?

3. Is David telling God or asking God?
4. Who are the 'us' David is referring to?
5. 'To bless' is to enrich the life of another?
6. 'God's face to shine on you' is for you to find favour with God?
7. 'Upon' is to put on or to deposit something, perhaps a spiritual blessing?
8. What might a spiritual blessing look like to you?
9. His way is the right way!
10. How might you make God's way known to other people?
11. 'On the earth', is His revelation truth revealed to all the nations of the world.
12. 'Salvation' is to be saved or rescued.
13. The earth's value system is flawed and corrupt, God's value system is lifesaving.
14. 'Peoples' refers to the whole of humanity - David wants them to praise God.
15. Why would they praise a God that they don't even know?
16. Why do we sing when we are happy and sing when we are sad?
17. What is it to be 'glad of heart'.
18. God's upright judgement will be fair and considered.
19. He is the only one truly worthy to judge.
20. God's guidance comes from God's counsel, which is rooted in truth.
21. Why do we say, 'oh God' when we pray? What does this mean?
22. God promises in Genesis that seed time and harvest will be there at the end of the age.
23. For Him to be our God, we all need to belong to Him and to one another.
24. How has God blessed your life?
25. God's plan for Israel was to make them an example nation, so all the other nations of the earth would be attracted to God.
26. Israel failed miserably, they went away from God, they were unfaithful and rebellious towards God and His ways.
27. The other nations did not get the opportunity to be blessed by God, because Israel failed to allow God to bless her in the way He had intended to.
28. What is it to fear God?
29. How does the fear of God work itself out in your life?