

SELECTED PSALMS PHASE 2

PSALM 47

Answers for Review Questions

1. **Answer:**
Psalm 47 is classified as a Messianic Psalm because it prophetically refers to Jesus Christ; for example, verse 5 is associated with Christ's ascension. (Acts 1:1-11) Etc. Page 4

2. **Answer:**
Item (d) . . . " . . . here is a jubilant celebration of God's . . ." Page 5

3. **Answer:**
Worship is regarded as the most fundamental function of being a Christian. Worship means that God is acknowledged and celebrated; His power and protection with a depth of sincere gratitude.
Etc.
For more information, see Pages 5-6.

4. **Answer:**
(a) The call was made to **"all you peoples"** . . . most likely, to the Jews and Gentiles.
(b) They were called upon to joyfully praise God.
For more information, see Pages 6-7

5. **Answer:**
Some significant facts associated with the phrase: **"LORD Most High"**, are:
(a) It speaks of the sovereignty of God; He alone is the LORD God Almighty!
(b) It is associated with **Yahweh** . . . He is exalted above all other beings (Ex. 18:11; 1 Chron. 16:25; etc.).
For more information, see Page 8.

6. **Answer:**
Some associated facts with: **"He is a great King over all the earth"**, (Psa. 47:2) are:
(a) **Awe-inspiring Power**
The phrase **"great King"** conveys the majesty and might of God, inspiring a sense of reverence and fear (not terror) towards His power.
(b) **Contrast to Human Kings**
By declaring God as the **"great King over all the earth,"** the verse contrasts Him with earthly rulers who have limited power and domain.
(c) Etc.
For more information, see Page 9.

7. **Answer:**

He will conquer the enemies and assuring His people of victory.

Victory comes not through our own efforts but through God's activity on our behalf (Psa. 44:6; etc.).

For more information, see Pages 9-10.

8. **Answer:**

(a) greatest (b) victory (c) signal (d) Himself (e) power (f) reign (g) tribes (h) glory
(i) people.

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9. **Answer:**

"The excellence of Jacob . . ." (Psa. 47:4b) as used in this verse, refers to the Land of Canaan.

For more information, see Pages 11-12

10. **Answer:**

(a) Some thoughts in regards to what is really taught in Psa. 47:5, are:

(1) **The Carrying of the Ark to Jerusalem**

The Ark of the Covenant was a symbol of God's presence and carrying it to Jerusalem was a solemn event that involved dancing, trumpets and shouts (2 Sam. 2:12-23).

(2) **The Ascension of Jesus**

The verse can be interpreted as a reference to Jesus' ascension into heaven, when He finished His work on earth. The shout of a king or conqueror can be applied to this event.

(3) Etc.

(b) Most scholars associated Psa. 47:5, with the ascension of Jesus Christ (Acts. 1:1-11)

For more information, see Pages 12-13.

11. **Answer:**

The sound of a trumpet (referring to the period of our text) was evidence of victory, and shows that the victory was to be traced solely to God.

Etc.

For more information, see Page 13.

12. **Answer:**

The repetition of ***"sing praises"*** (Psa. 47:6), illustrates the heart full or overflowing with joy.

It is a call on all to celebrate the praises of God, especially as He had enabled His people to triumph over their enemies.

For more information, see Pages 13-15.

13. **Answer:**

“ . . Sing praises with understanding”: Praise Him intelligently, this is a truth of immense importance to mankind, and a truth on which occasion the psalm was composed **to know and proclaim the reason of our praise.**

For more information, see Pages 14-15

14. **Answer:**

God’s providential control of the universe: several important facts are associated, for example:

(a) **Sovereignty**: God is the ultimate authority and has complete power over all creation.

(b) **Preservation**: God sustains the existence of the universe and all its elements.

(c) Etc.

For more information, see Page 15.

15. **Answer:**

(a) insignia (b) rank (c) homage (d) honorables (e) protectors (f) commonwealth
(g) principalities (h) subject (j) **greatly.**

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