

# S.A.F.E. Homes



**Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere**



**"Praise ye the Lord: For it is good to sing  
praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and  
praise is comely" Psalm 147:1**

## **Beauty is in the Eye of the Beholder**

Most everyone is familiar with the phrase, "Beauty is in the Eye of the Beholder." The beholder is the person that's looking at something or someone. Two people (beholders) can see the same object and see it differently. Take a painting or a piece of art for example, one person might see it as the most magnificent display, while another might see it as rubbish and ugly.

Most everyone has a desire to be beautiful. We are all created different, some with features or things that we do not like, and, some we cannot change. The Bible tells us in Psalm 139:14, "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well."

The Lord Jesus does not see us the way we see ourselves or the way others see us. While most look for beauty on the outward, our physical parts, eyes, hair, nose, clothes, etc. God sees right through us, our hearts, our thoughts, and our behavior. Not that the outward is not important to God, nor to be neglected, but, if we are clean and pure inside it will reflect outwardly through us.

What does God see when He looks into your heart? When He sees you? What is working its way out of your heart, "the fruit of the Spirit" in Galatians 5: 22 or "the works of the flesh" in Galatians 5:19- 21? Imagine getting God's attention when you praise Him. When we praise Him with righteousness in our heart, a heart of gratitude and thankfulness, we cause God to behold us, or look at us, as being beautiful.

Psalm 33:1 tells us that God is to be praised for His goodness and His power. REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright.

**Family Prayer: Lord Jesus, thank You for seeing us differently than how we see ourselves and one another. Teach us to praise You in a manner that will be pleasing in Your eyes. In Jesus Name. Amen**

**Includes  
Family  
Activities**

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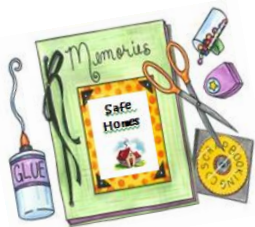
Memorize the Bible Verse: Psalm 147:1

Play 'Erase a Word' to help children memorize the Bible verse.

Write the verse on a poster, tablet or dry erase/chalk board. Read the verse, then ask your child(ren) to repeat the verse 2-3 times while pointing to each word. Then, erase one word from the verse and say it again. Keep repeating the verse and erasing words until everything is erased. Then challenge the children to say the verse from memory and see how many of them can do it!

Let's talk

Use a dictionary to look up the word *comely*. Discuss examples of the meaning and how this applies to Biblical ways of praising God. Demonstrate various ways to give God praise, such as with our mouth, hands, feet...



Time to update your S.A.F.E HOMES scrapbook!

Let each family member take turns writing down and illustrating an important Bible point from previous devotions

Take turns sharing why you chose that point and how it is helping you in your walk with God



## Additional Challenges

Read Psalm 100 and list the ways we are urged to praise God in each of the following verses:

Verse 1 urges us to \_\_\_\_\_

Verse 2 urges us to \_\_\_\_\_

Verse 3 urges us to \_\_\_\_\_

Verse 4 urges us to \_\_\_\_\_

Why should we do all of the above?

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What are some truths about the Lord that we can list from this chapter?

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Read Psalm 147

Why do we sing praise songs? \_\_\_\_\_

What are some of the ways we can praise God? \_\_\_\_\_

What else praises God besides people? \_\_\_\_\_

Who is commanded to shout for joy to the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_

What can we learn from nature? \_\_\_\_\_

## Puzzle page

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ATTENTION  
BEHOLDER  
DIFFERENT  
HEART  
PRAISE  
THANKFULNESS

BEAUTIFUL  
CLEAN  
FEARFULLY  
OUTWARDLY  
PSALM  
THOUGHTS

BEHAVIOR  
CREATED  
GRATITUDE  
PLEASING  
PURE  
WONDERFULLY

*After finding all the words what is the hidden message?*

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give thanks  
TO THE  
Lord for He  
is GOOD; HIS  
LOVE  
endures forever  
Psalms 107:1

