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Psa. 145:10-19

10. All thy works shall give thanks unto thee, O Jehovah;
And thy saints shall bless thee.
11. They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom,
And talk of thy power;
12. To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts,
And the glory of the majesty of his kingdom.
13. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
And thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.
14. Jehovah upholdeth all that fall,
And raiseth up all those that are bowed down.
15. The eyes of all wait for thee;
And thou givest them their food in due season.
16. Thou openest thy hand,
And satisfiest the desire of every living thing.
17. Jehovah is righteous in all his ways,
And gracious in all his works.
18. Jehovah is nigh unto all them that call upon him,
To all that call upon him in truth.
19. He will fulfill the desire of them that fear him;
He also will hear their cry and will save them.

Lesson Interpretation

What is consciousness of God?

This is a state of constant awareness that the spiritual side of life is the true reality and that infinite Spirit is the source of life and of all that is.

What is the nature of this state?

It is a state of continual joy and blessedness, of lasting peace and satisfaction. Within us it is expressed in praise and gratitude.

When we are uplifted and our mind and heart are filled with praise and thanksgiving, do external conditions tend to conform to our inner state?

Invariably. Thoughts that are filled with praise and thanksgiving leave no room for gloom and depression. All things take on the aspect of praise and blessing. "All thy works shall give thanks unto thee, O Jehovah."

Who are the "saints," and how do they bless Jehovah?

This term applies to those whose mind and heart are filled with love of Truth. They bless Jehovah by expressing Truth in life and word; by keeping the divine law.

What is "the glory of the kingdom?"

This is the transcendent beauty and perfection of the ideas in Divine Mind. We perceive it when we come into a realization of the oneness of all life in divine order, and of the power of that oneness in our life and affairs.

How may we realize the "everlasting kingdom"?

By becoming conscious of the eternal nature of reality and entering into it as individuals and as a people.

What are some of the mighty attributes of spiritual consciousness?

Humility is one of the chief. Another is the power of complete concentration on the desired goal.

What is represented by the opening of the hand of God?

The bounty and liberality of divine love, which satisfies all who become conscious of it and express it in their life. As it is invoked and used it satisfies every possible desire.