

A silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or triumph, set against a light blue background. The person is wearing a long-sleeved shirt and pants. The text 'Praising God!' is overlaid on the person's torso.

Praising God!

Ps 117

How much do *you* praise God?



Praising God

The early church majored in praising God!

“**Praising God**, and having favor with all the people” (Acts 2:47).



THESIS:

Why/How did the church praise God?

Because of ...

1. What they **were**.
2. What they **did**.
3. What they **said**.

Praising God



I. **What we are can praise another.**

A. God's **works** praise Him!

Ps 19:1

Praising God





The heavens declare

The glory of God;

the skies proclaim

The work of his hands.

psalm nineteen one

Ps 19:1

WHAT IS GOD LIKE?

Isaiah 40:25-26

“LOOK TO THE HEAVENS”



PERFECTED PRAISE

psalm 148



*HALLELUJAH,
PRAISE JEHOVAH!*

I. What we are can praise another

A. God's works praise Him!

B. God's salvation is reason to praise Him!

1. Princes of world did not know - I Cor 2:8

2. Angelic realm and ancient prophets did not know - I Peter 1:10-12

3. It was revealed to us - Col 1:27, Eph 1:1-14, Eph 3: 8-12.



Praising God

Oh, the **depth** of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How **unsearchable** are His judgments and **unfathomable** His ways! For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

To Him be the glory forever.

Romans 11:33&36

PERFECTED PRAISE



- I. Praised God by what **they were.**
- II. Praised God by **what they did.**

A silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or triumph, set against a bright, glowing light source. The person's body is filled with a blue, ethereal glow.

Praising God



Let your light so shine before men,
that they may see your good works,
and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

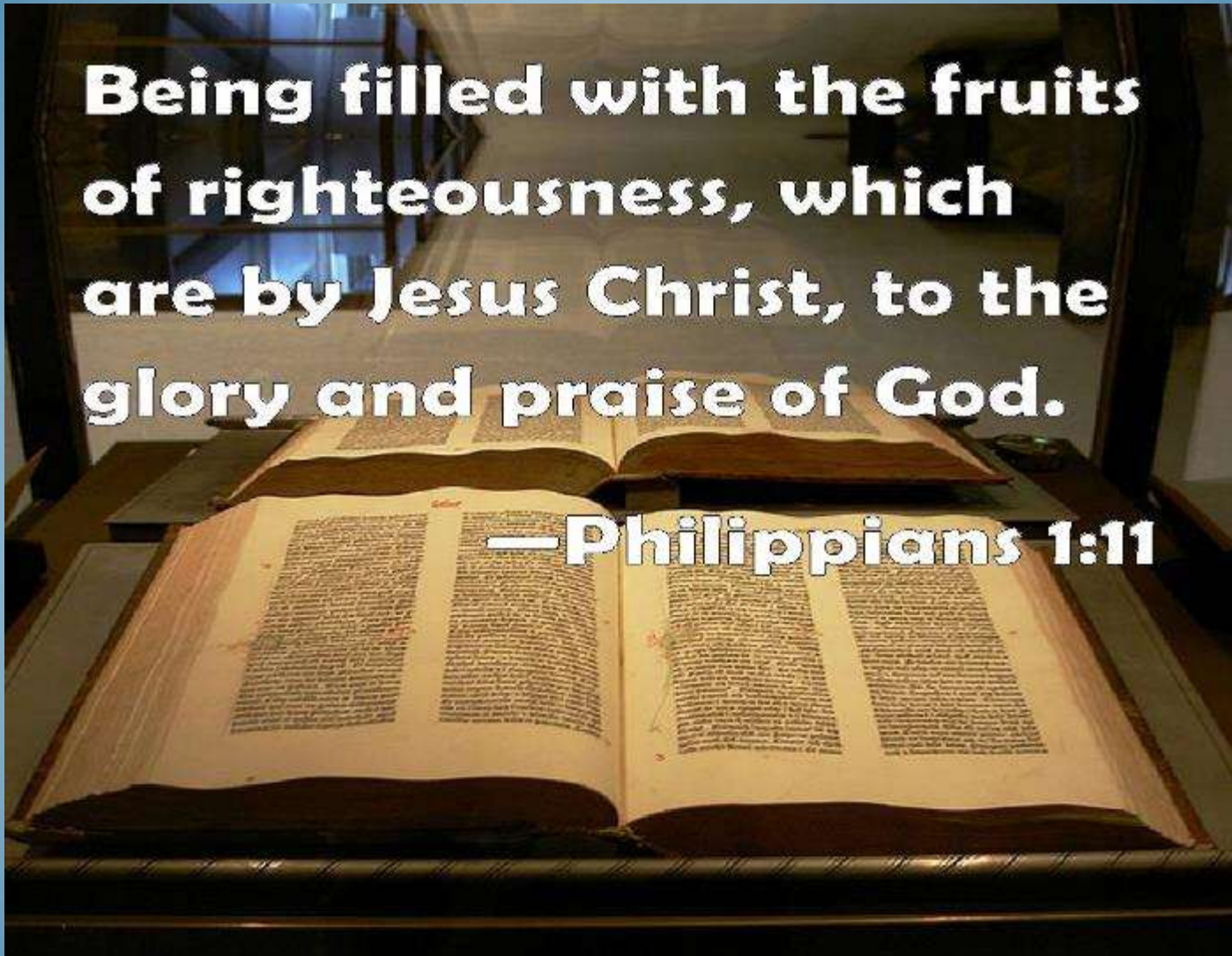
Matthew 5:16



Praising God

**Being filled with the fruits
of righteousness, which
are by Jesus Christ, to the
glory and praise of God.**

—Philippians 1:11





**All the believers
were together
and had
everything in
common.
Selling their
possessions and
goods, they
gave to anyone
as he had need.
Acts 2:44-45**

Acts 3:8

He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and **praising God**. NIV

Acts 4:21-22

They could not decide how to punish them, because **all the people were praising God** for what had happened. ²² For the man who was miraculously healed was over forty years old. NIV



Praising God

I. Praised God by **what they were.**

II. Praised God by **what they did.**

III. Praised God by **what they said.**

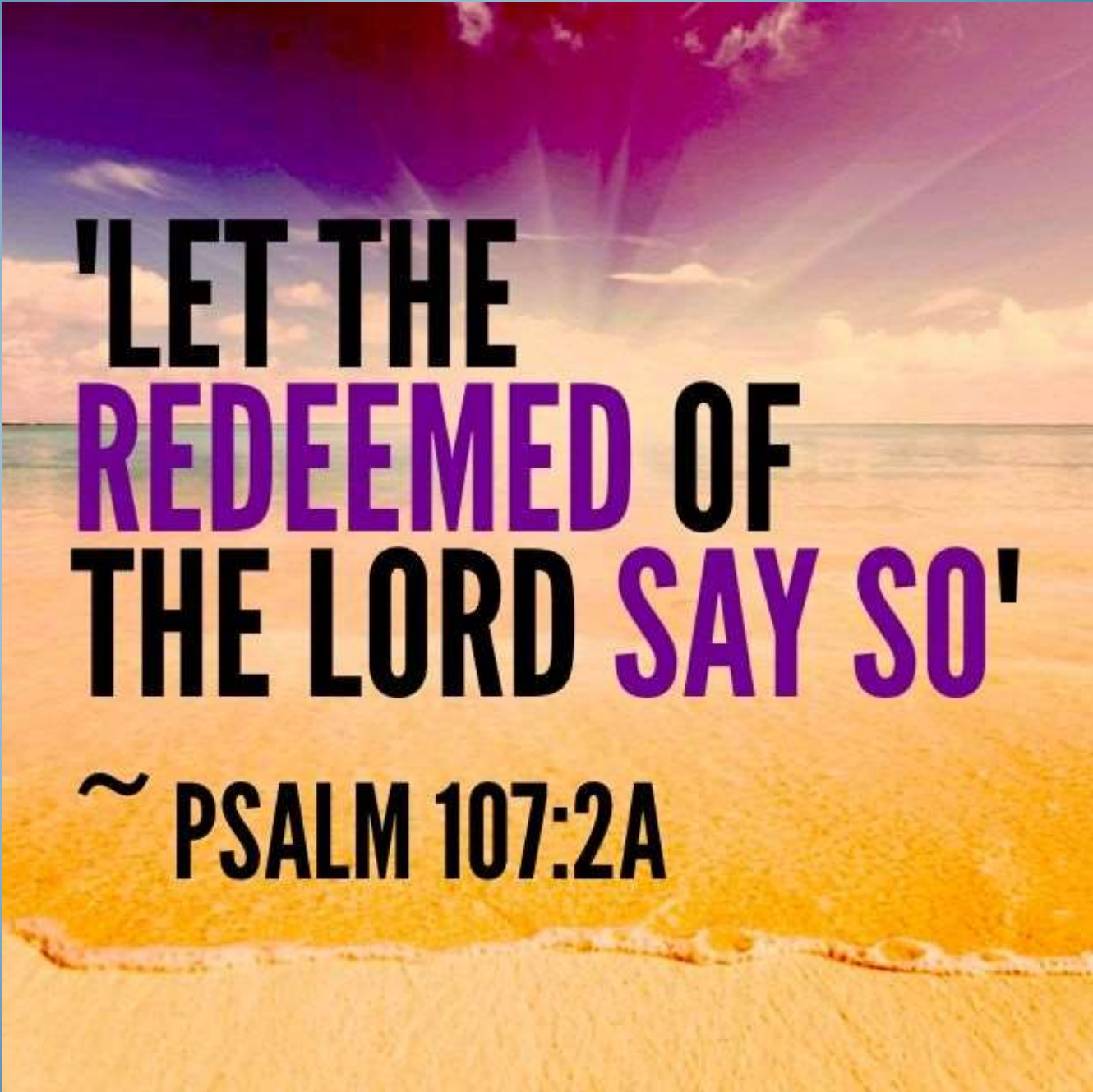
A. The “fruit of their lips.”



LET US OFFER
THE SACRIFICE
OF PRAISE TO GOD
CONTINUALLY,
THAT IS, THE
FRUIT OF OUR
LIPS GIVING
THANKS TO
HIS NAME.

HEBREWS 13:15





**'LET THE
REDEEMED OF
THE LORD SAY SO'**

~ PSALM 107:2A

"All Creation Thank You!"

All of your works will thank you, Lord, and
your faithful followers will praise you.

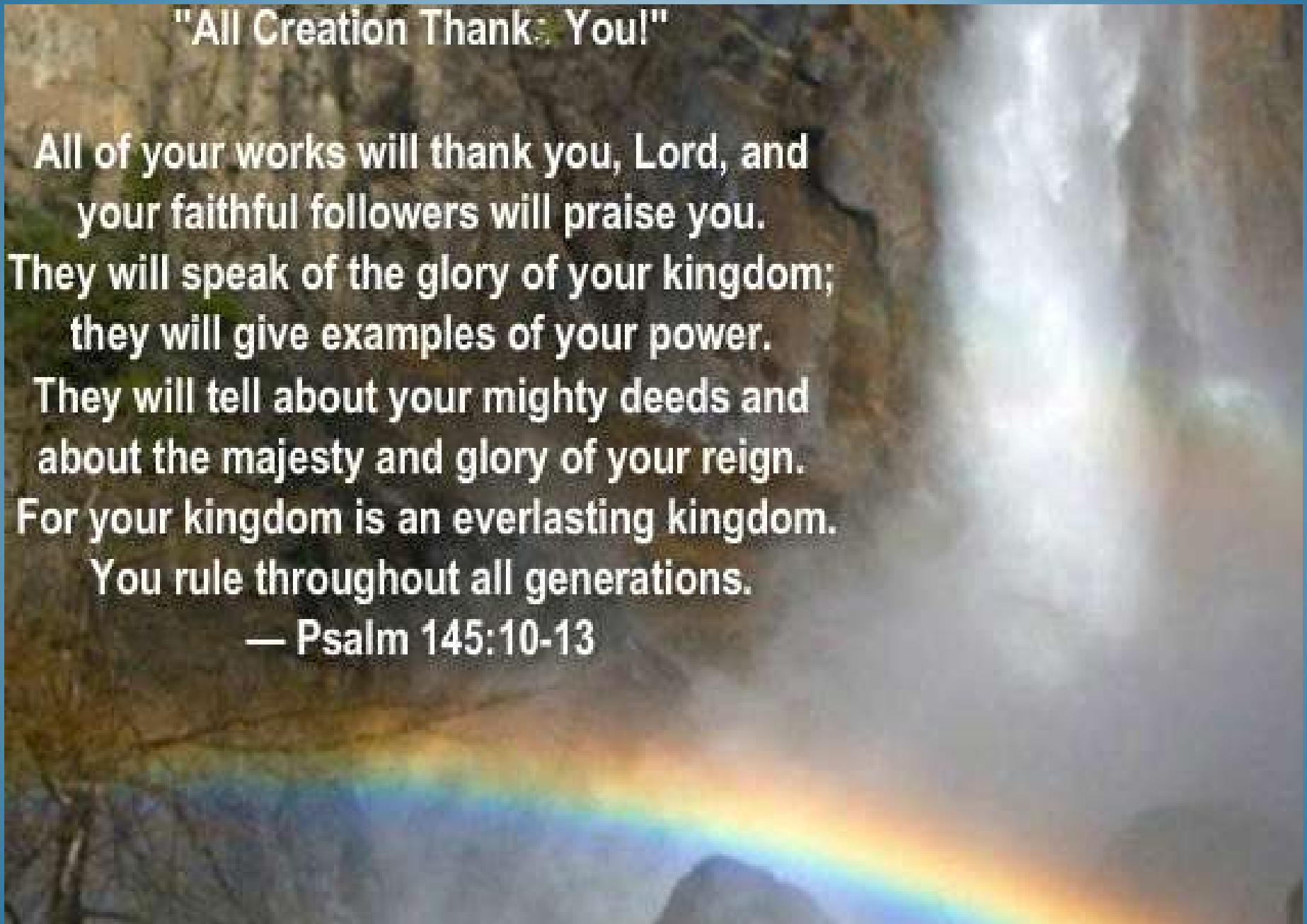
They will speak of the glory of your kingdom;
they will give examples of your power.

They will tell about your mighty deeds and
about the majesty and glory of your reign.

For your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom.

You rule throughout all generations.

— Psalm 145:10-13



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- III. Praised God by **what they said.**
 - A. The “fruit of their lips.”
 - B. They directed people’s attention to God (Acts 4:16).



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II. Praised God by **what they said.**

A. The “fruit of their lips.”

B. They directed people’s attention to God (Acts 4:16).

C. They praised God in Prayer (Acts 4:24-25).



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Acts 4:23-31

²⁴ So when they heard that, they raised their voice to God with one accord and said: "Lord, You are God, who made heaven and earth and the sea, and all that is in them,

Praising God



II. Praised God by **what they said.**

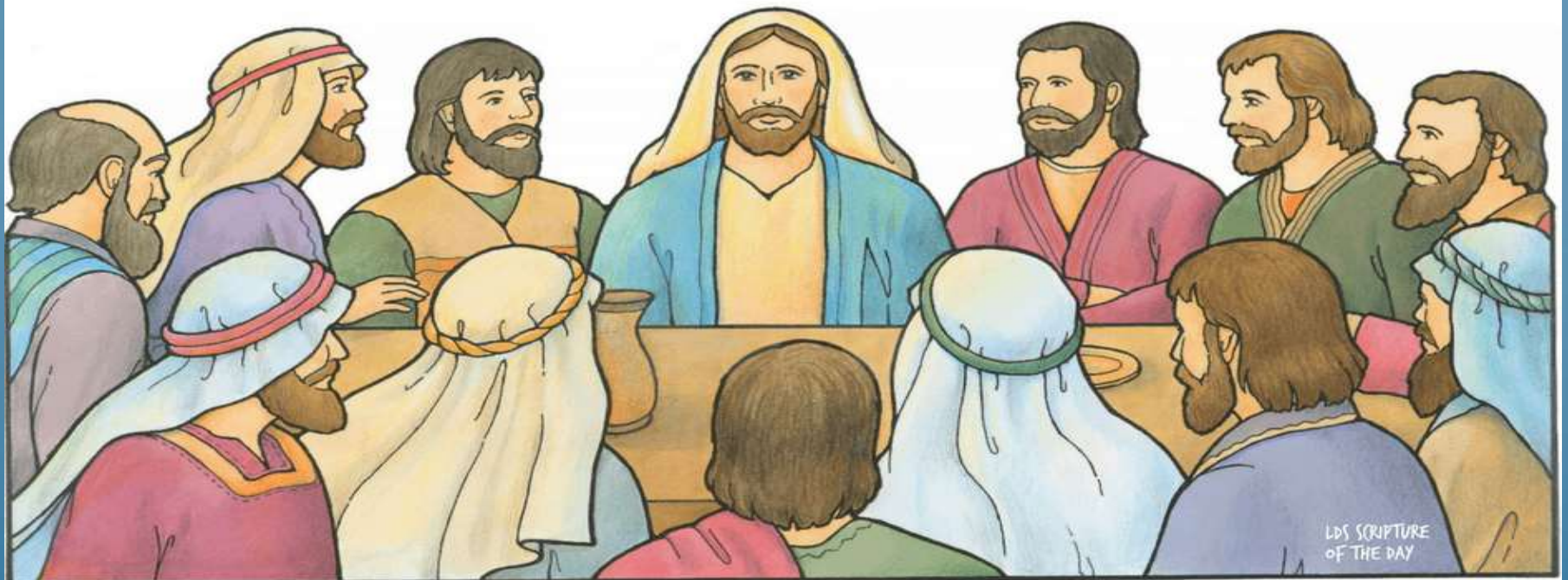
- A. The “fruit of their lips.”
- B. They directed people’s attention to God (Acts 4:16).
- C. They praised God in prayer (Acts 4:24-25).
- D. Praised God in song.
 - 1. 26 admonitions in the Psalms
 - 2. Matt 26:20, Ps 117.



Praising God

**AND WHEN THEY HAD SUNG AN HYMN,
they went out into the Mount of Olives.**


MATTHEW 26:30



**About midnight Paul and Silas
were praying and singing hymns
to God, and the other prisoners
were listening to them.**

- Acts 16:25 -



A vibrant, sunlit field of white daisies and tall grasses. The sun is bright in the sky, creating a warm, golden glow over the scene. The text is centered over the image.

That with one accord
you may with one mouth
glorify the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 15:6