

Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further
International Bible Lessons

Psalms 33:1-9

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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The *Class Preparation Guide* includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class so they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible class.

Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further

1. What does it mean to you to praise God?

To joyfully express to God my faith in God and desire to obey God always. To love God and thank God for who God is (God’s nature and character), what God has said and done, and what God does and has promised to do. To tell others about how wonderful the true God is as revealed in the Bible and by Jesus, the Son of God.

2. What type of people should praise God?

Those the Psalmist says are righteous and upright; those who believe in God and want to obey God as revealed in the Bible and Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

3. What facts does the Psalm reveal about the word of God?

God’s word is right and true. The word of God made the heavens. God’s word made what came to be and His word makes His creation stand firm.

4. What facts does the Psalm reveal about God’s character?

God is faithful in all God does.

5. What does the Psalm say about God’s love and what God loves?

God loves righteousness and justice. God's love is unfailing.

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