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NEXT STEPS

Why Do We Praise Him Psalm 118:1-4, 19-29



Questions to *Dig Deeper*:

1. “His love endures forever.” Psalm 118 repeats this refrain three times to different groups. Why do you think this needed repeating? How does the idea that God’s love is not dependent on our performance shape the way we worship and live?
2. The crowds on Palm Sunday praised Jesus using Psalm 118, yet many later rejected Him. What expectations did they place on Jesus? Where might we be tempted to shape Jesus around our political, cultural, or personal preferences?
3. Why was Jesus rejected in His time? In what ways is the “shape” of Jesus—service, humility, upside-down kingdom—still rejected today? How does this challenge our understanding of success and power?
4. The people cried “Save us!” likely meaning freedom from Rome. What kind of salvation did Jesus come to bring? How is that deeper (and perhaps harder) than political or circumstantial rescue?
5. If Jesus’ kingdom prioritizes the poor, marginalized, and “last,” what practical changes might that require in our families, church, or community? Where is God inviting you personally to embody His upside-down kingdom?