

# Psalm 145: A Psalm of David

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(Anacrostic poem of praise in which all the letters of the Hebrew alphabet are represented by a verse, except the letter nun.)

## Reader:

˘ All of us exalt you, Sovereign God

a Bless Your name for all time—blessings daily and praises for eternity:

b Great is Adonai and worthy of praise, whose greatness is without limit.

## All:

C Down through the ages shall Your deeds commend You and Your mighty acts speak for You.

d How splendid are Your glory and marvels; let me tell of them.

e Valor and wondrous acts will speak for themselves, but let me recount Your true greatness.

## Reader:

f Zealously Your great goodness will remind us and Your righteousness will ring out.

g Charitable, compassionate Adonai, endlessly patient, of great kindness,

h Truly, Adonai, You are good to all; may Your compassion be upon all Your works.

## All:

i Your works all will praise You and Your faithful ones bless You.

k Kingly honor they bespeak and Your might they tell.

l Let humanity know Your power and the shining glory of Your rule.

## Reader:

n Monarch of all worlds and regnant in every age.

q Support of all who fall, You lift all who are bent low.

r All eyes await You and You nourish them in their time of need.

## All:

t Please open Your hand and satisfy every living being with Your

v Tzedakah, Adonai, and with Your kindness.

w Keep near to all who draw near to You truthfully.

## Reader:

x Realize the hopes of those who revere You and cry out to You for help.

y Show protection for those who love You by destroying all evil

z To let my mouth sing the praise of Adonai, and let all flesh bless God's holy name forever.

## All:

˘ All of us bless You, Adonai, now and forever. Hallelujah.