Psalm 117 – Thanksgiving Day

Can you memorize an entire chapter of the Bible?

It's easier than you think. Psalm 117 is the shortest Psalm (chapter?) in the entire Bible with only two verses. There are 9 pages of activities in this document to help you memorize this chapter. Print one or more of these pages according to your personal preference and ability of your students. All of these pages were made using puzzle maker tools at www.GospelHall.org/sundayschool. Design your own puzzles with your own phrases or choice of Bible verses.

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Activity #1 – Simply read and repeat the verse.

Here are the verses in two different English translations. Reading a verse aloud is the best way to begin memorizing.

**Psalms 117:1-2**
Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! (2) For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD! (ESV)

**Psalms 117:1-2**
O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. (2) For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD. (KJV)

Activity #2 - Sort the verse:

Cut these pieces into squares. Give each student (or group) one set of word and unscramble the words.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Praise the LORD</th>
<th>all nations</th>
<th>Extol him</th>
<th>all peoples</th>
<th>For great is</th>
<th>his steadfast love</th>
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<td>toward us</td>
<td>and the faithfulness</td>
<td>of the LORD</td>
<td>endures</td>
<td>forever</td>
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Activity #3 - Fallen Quotes Psalm 117

The following puzzle is a 'fallen' quote. All of the letters in the white squares have dropped to the ground. Raise them back up into their places to see what secret message they say.

Directions—Put the letters in the empty squares directly above them.
Activity #4 - Word Find Puzzle - Psalm 117

C H K M O L X I F T B F K X Y H H J R R
A Q D M M B F K S G K H M B V A V D H K
S B X F V S G A V A Y W S Q A P X A J L
A U X Z F M F O W S D X W Y D O J J Q V
Q B W D N D F Q O U N F S D B O Z D A L
Y T Z O A F A B S O L U X T Z D X Y B C
J S O E M W I O F N B A T M R O Y F P P
K M T S D Q T N P Q O B B U B F Z M M J
F S Y D E V H X C L P I M G Y E X E I E
Z Y M U J R F S I H W D T D V I M M Q F
F I Q W K Y U J J U M R X A A Y V M O U
M T Q I V B L D Y K T O E Y N B W R D Q
P U H N G L N O N X O L R K A I E D E O
U G Y U J Z E M N E W B W O D V Y V Q V
P U A C C M S G F O A R P E E P C M H J
W L E G F N S O R U O R S R D V P N H Q
N B O V G R L J A M D F B G G R O C U Q
T Q K T P U O P I C C R N O B C F L W N
N T Y K X G R E A T H T Q S I X B L V X
H W H J A E P R A I S E Q I B I D B C Q

[ ] PRAISE
[ ] LORD
[ ] NATIONS
[ ] EXTOL
[ ] GREAT
[ ] STEADFAST
[ ] LOVE
[ ] TOWARD
[ ] FAITHFULNESS
[ ] ENDURES
[ ] FOREVER
Activity #5 – Crossword Puzzle - Psalm 117 (KJV)

Created by Crossword Puzzle Maker at www.GospelHall.org

No. | Question
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1. | praise him, all ye _______.
2. | _______ for ever.
3. | O _______ the LORD
4. | is great _______ us:
5. | all ye _______:
6. | For his _______ kindness
7. | and the _______ of the LORD
8. | Praise ye the LORD.
Answer Key.

1. PEOPLE praise him, all ye ______.

2. ENDURETH ______ for ever.

3. PRAISE O ______ the LORD

4. TOWARD is great ______ us:

5. NATIONS all ye ______;

6. MERCIFUL For his ______ kindness

7. TRUTH and the ______ of the LORD

8. LORD Praise ye the LORD.
Activity #6 - Word Scramble Puzzle
Psalm 117:1-2 (KJV)

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1 - INESNDSK
   □□□□□□□□

2 - LIUCMREF
   □□□□□□□□

3 - ATINOSN
   □□□□□□□□

4 - UTHRT
   □□□□□□

Copy the circled letters into the blanks below and unsort the final word.

_________ _______ _______ _______
□□□□□□□□□□□□□□

The words above will fit into the following sentence.

"O PRAISE THE LORD ALL YE _________ PRAISE HIM ALL YE PEOPLE
FOR HIS _________ _________ IS GREAT TOWARD US AND THE
___________ OF THE LORD _________ FOR EVER PRAISE YE THE LORD "
Psalm 117
Activity #7 - Word Cryptogram Puzzle

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Famous Bible Verse

The sentence below is encrypted using a secret code. Your job is to break the code by substituting letters for the symbols. Here are a few clues:

\[ J = a \quad R = e \]

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\begin{align*}
X & \quad AZJLNR & \quad GDR & \quad SXZE & \quad JSS & \quad BR \\
WJGLXWN & \quad AZJLNR & \quad DLQ & \quad JSS & \quad BR \\
ARXASR & \quad MXZ & \quad DLN & \quad QRZILMPS \\
TLWEWRNN & \quad LN & \quad FZRJG & \quad GXYJZE & \quad PN \\
JWE & \quad GDR & \quad GZPGD & \quad XM & \quad GDR & \quad SXZE \\
RWEPZRGD & \quad MXZ & \quad RKRZ & \quad AZJLNR & \quad BR \\
GDR & \quad SXZE
\end{align*}
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Activity #8 – Read and share other verses about Thanksgiving.

Assign each student to choose a verse from the list below, read it, and then share it with the class. Bible Verses About Thanksgiving.

Christ set an example of Mt 11:25; 26:27; Joh 6:11; 11:41
The heavenly host engaged in Re 4:9; 7:11,12; 11:16,17
Commanded Ps 50:14; Php 4:6
Is a good thing Ps 92:1
Should be offered
To God. Ps 50:14
To Christ. 1Ti 1:12
Through Christ. Ro 1:8; Col 3:17; Heb 13:15
In the name of Christ. Eph 5:20
In behalf of ministers. 2Co 1:11
In private worship. Da 6:10
In public worship. Ps 35:18
In everything. 1Th 5:18
Upon the completion of great undertakings. Ne 12:31,40
Before taking food. Joh 6:11; Ac 27:35
Always. Eph 1:16; 5:20; 1Th 1:2
At the remembrance of God's holiness. Ps 30:4; 97:12
For the goodness and mercy of God. Ps 106:1; 107:1; 136:1-3
For the gift of Christ. 2Co 9:15
For Christ's power and reign. Re 11:17
For the reception and effectual working of the word of God in others. 1Th 2:13
For deliverance through Christ from in-dwelling sin.
Ro 7:23-25
For victory over death and the grave. 1Co 15:57
For wisdom and might. Da 2:23
For the triumph of the gospel. 2Co 2:14
For the conversion of others. Ro 6:17
For faith exhibited by others. Ro 1:8; 2Th 1:3
For love exhibited by others. 2Th 1:3
For the grace bestowed on others. 1Co 1:4; Php 1:3-5; Col 1:3-6
For the zeal exhibited by others. 2Co 8:16
For the nearness of God's presence. Ps 75:1
For appointment to the ministry. 1Ti 1:12
For willingness to offer our property for God's service. 1Ch 29:6-14
For the supply of our bodily wants. Ro 14:6,7; 1Ti 4:3,4
For all men. 1Ti 2:1
For all things. 2Co 9:11; Eph 5:20
Should be accompanied by intercession for others 1Ti 2:1; 2Ti 1:3; Phm 1:4
Should always accompany prayer Ne 11:17; Php 4:6; Col 4:2
Should always accompany praise Ps 92:1; Heb 13:15
Expressed in psalms 1Ch 16:7
Ministers appointed to offer, in public 1Ch 16:4,7; 23:30; 2Ch 31:2
Saints
Exhorted to. Ps 105:1; Col 3:15
Resolved to offer. Ps 18:49; 30:12
Habitually offer. Da 6:10
Offer sacrifices of. Ps 116:17
Abound in the faith with. Col 2:7
Magnify God by. Ps 69:30
Come before God with. Ps 95:2
Should enter God's gate with. Ps 100:4
Of hypocrites, full of boasting Lu 18:11
The wicked averse to Ro 1:21
Exemplified
David. 1Ch 29:12
Levites. 2Ch 5:12,13
Daniel. Da 2:23
Jonah. Jon 2:9
Simeon. Lu 2:23
Anna. Lu 2:38
Paul. Ac 28:15