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WHEN THE MUSIC FADES

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Praise Matters

Psalm 100:4 (KJV)
4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

During His last Passover, we are told Jesus and His disciples sang the Hallel, a collection of psalms scattered throughout Psalms 113-118. The Hallel is a Jewish prayer of praise and thanksgiving recited on festive occasions such as Passover and Hanukkah. Hallel means "praise" in Hebrew. "Hallel Yah" or "Hallelujah" therefore stands for 'Praise Jehovah'. Reciting the Hallel reminds Jews where they had been before and where God is leading them, and to praise Him. For Jesus, it was at the end of the Lord's Supper, the beginning of one of the worse times in His earthly life. Let us read through these psalms prayerfully this week to discover God's blessings for those of us whose music in life is fading or has faded. Are you facing the Red Sea? Are you facing a dire situation? Do you feel alone? Are you facing loss of a kind? Are you feeling overwhelmed by a pending situation? Are people saying, "Where is their God?" Are you overcome by distress and sorrow? We have a God who knows and sees us! Trust in Him. He is our help and shield. He is the Maker of heaven and earth. You will yet again extol the Lord, both now and forevermore. Praise the Lord!

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Revive the Music with 'Hallel'

Ephesians 5:19-20 (KJV)
19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;
20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Here is a suggestion to go through the Hallel this week:
Monday – Psalm 113
Tuesday – Psalm 114
Wednesday – Psalm 115
Thursday – Psalm 116
Friday – Psalm 117
Saturday – Psalm 118

We would love to hear from you what God shared with you as you went through these psalms. Let us bless one another with the encouragement we receive from these this week. God bless you abundantly! Amen!

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