



Psalm 147:1–11

1 Praise the Lord!

For it is good to sing praises | to our God; *
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is | fitting.

2 The Lord builds up Je- | rusalem; *
he gathers the outcasts of | Israel.

3 He heals the broken- | hearted *
and binds | up their wounds.

4 He determines the number | of the stars; *
he gives to all of | them their names.

5 Great is our Lord, and abun- | dant in power; *
his understanding is beyond | measure.

6 The Lord lifts up the | humble; *
he casts the wicked | to the ground.

7 Sing to the Lord with thanks- | giving; *
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

8 He covers the heavens with clouds;
he prepares rain | for the earth; *
he makes grass grow | on the hills.

9 He gives to the | beasts their food, *
and to the young ravens | that cry.

10 His delight is not in the strength | of the horse, *
nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,

11 but the Lord takes pleasure in those who | fear him, *
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.