

# Psalm 148:1-5

*Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! 2 Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts! 3 Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light! 4 Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, and you waters above the heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of the LORD, for He commanded and they were created.*

## **Praise:**

Halal-to be clear (orig. of sound, but usually of color); to shine; hence, to make a show, to boast; and thus to be (clamorously) foolish; to rave; causatively, to celebrate; also to stultify: (make) boast (self), celebrate, commend, (deal, make), fool (-ish, -ly), glory, give [light], [sing, be worthy of] praise, renowned, shine.

## **Heavens:**

Shamayim-to be lofty; the sky (as aloft; the dual perhaps alluding to the visible arch in which the clouds move, as well as to the higher ether where the celestial bodies revolve)

## **Heights:**

Marowm-altitude, i.e. concretely (an elevated place), abstractly (elevation, figuratively (elation), or adverbially (aloft)

## **Angels:**

mal'ak-to despatch as a deputy; a messenger; specifically, of God, i.e. an angel (also a prophet, priest or teacher)

## **Hosts:**

tsaba'-a mass of persons (or figuratively, things), especially reg. organized for war (an army); by implication, a campaign, literally or figuratively (specifically, hardship, worship)

## **Sun:**

Shemesh-to be brilliant; the sun; by implication, the east; figuratively, a ray, i.e. (arch.) a notched battlement

## **Moon:**

Yareach-the moon

## **Stars:**

Kowkab-a star (as round or as shining); figuratively, a prince

## **Light:**

'owr-illumination or (concrete) luminary (in every sense, including lightning, happiness, etc.)

## **Waters:**

Mayim-water; figuratively, juice

## **Commanded:**

Tsavah-to constitute, enjoin

**Created:**

bara'-to create; (qualified) to cut down (a wood), select, feed (as formative processes): - choose, create (creator), cut down, dispatch, do, make (fat)

**Scripture references:**

Psalm 19:1

*The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.*

Psalm 89:5

*And the heavens will praise Your wonders, O LORD; Your faithfulness also in the assembly of the saints.*

Psalm 96:11

*Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; Let the sea roar, and all its fullness;*

Psalm 103:20

*Bless the LORD, you His angels, who excel in strength, who do His word, Heeding the voice of His word.*

Psalm 103:21

*Bless the LORD, all you His hosts, you ministers of His, who do His pleasure.*

Psalm 102:18

*This will be written for the generation to come, that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD.*