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Sermon Outline

“The Necessity of Joyous Praise”
*Luke 11:1-2b, 10:21*

1. The astounding access to praise (Luke 11:1-2a, Hebrews 4:16, 10:19)

1. The reverent attitude and activity of praise (Luke 11:2b, 10:21)
* “To pray that God’s name be hallowed is not to pray that God become holy but that he be treated as such, that his name not be despised by the thoughts and conducts of those who have been created in his image.” D. A. Carson
1. The honest assessment of our praise
* “What people revere, they resemble, either for ruin or for restoration.” Greg Beale
* “I think we delight to praise what we enjoy, because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment…the delight is incomplete until it is expressed…It is frustrating to come suddenly to the turn of the road, upon some mountain valley of unexpected grandeur, and then have to keep silent because the people with you care for it no more than a tin can in a ditch.” C. S. Lewis