

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures, here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

about this hymn:

Words Thomas Ken Music Genevan Psalter, 1551 Edition, attr. Louis Bourgeois

Long ago, a man named Thomas Ken was thinking about this Bible truth, too. He wrote the words to a hymn that we call the Doxology. We're going to learn it.

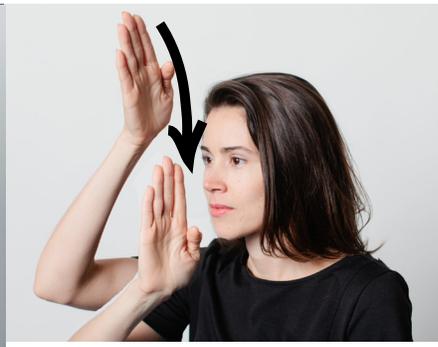
This hymn reminds us that all creatures here below on the earth and all the heavenly host above in heaven should praise God. He is their Creator and He made them to praise and glorify Him. All the good blessings they enjoy come from Him.

Doxology

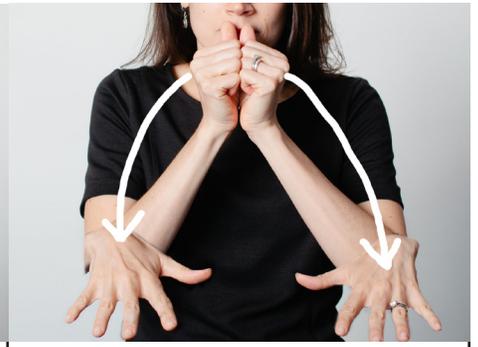
PFI ESV Songs 5, Track 14



Praise
Clap the right hand on top of the left hand several times.



God
Right open hand, palm facing left, is held up above head level then brought down and back in a slight arc, ending with a "B" hand at the upper chest level.



Blessings
Place thumbs of both "A" hands at lips. Change hands into flat hands, palms down, as you extend them down and forward.



Creatures
Cross K hands, with right hand above the left, pinky fingers down, both hands pointing slightly outward. In this position, make a small counterclockwise.



Below
Right flat hand makes a counterclockwise circle below the left flat hand, both palms facing down.



Above
Make a counterclockwise circle with right flat palm over left flat hand.



Heavenly Host
Fingertips of both hands rest on shoulders then pivot out and are flapped up and down a few times like wings.



Father
Tap thumb of right "5" hand on forehead a few times.



Holy Ghost
Right "H" hand, palm facing left, slides from heel to fingertips of left flat hand, palm up. Then touch the thumbs and index fingers of both "T" hands to each other, right hand above left, palms facing each other. Draw hands apart in an upward motion.

Praise the Lord, from the Earth

Praise the Lord, from the earth,
All you creatures of the sea,
And all ocean depths,
Lightning, hail, snow and clouds,
Stormy winds that do his bidding.
Praise the Lord, from the earth, Praise the Lord.
Praise the Lord, from the earth, Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, from the earth,
You mountains and all hills,
You fruit trees and cedars,
Animals, flying birds, kings and rulers, men and maidens,
Praise the Lord, from the earth, Praise the Lord.
Praise the Lord, from the earth, Praise the Lord.
Psalm One-forty-eight, verses seven through twelve.

about this Bible verse:

Words: Psalm 148:7-12, NIV 1984 Music: Constance Dever ©2011

The Bible tells us that everything God created praises God in its own way. They all display His glory and remind us of something about the wonderful God who created them. But of all God's earthly creations, it is people--young and old, men and maidens, kings and humble people--who are made in God's image and have a special ability to see God's splendor in His creations and praise and glorify Him for who He is.

Praise the LORD, from the Earth

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Praise
Clap the right hand on top of the left hand several times..



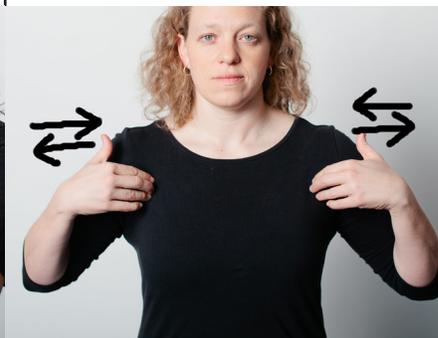
LORD
Thumb of right "L" hand, palm facing left. touches left shoulder, then is brought down to touch right hip.



Earth
Thumb and index fingers of downturned right "5" hand are placed on sides of downturned "5" hand. The right hand pivots back and forth while keeping light contact with left hand.



All
Left flat hand rests on back of right flat hand. Right flat hand is then brought up and around left hand and pivots so that back of right hand rests in left palm.



Creatures, Animals
Cross K hands, with right hand above the left, pinky fingers down, both hands pointing slightly outward. In this position, make a small counterclockwise.



Sea, Ocean
Touch mouth with index finger of right hand a couple times (sign for water);. Then move both hands forward in wavy motion.



Lightning
Right index finger zig-zags forward quickly, imitating a lightning bolt.



Hail, Snow
Fingers and thumb of right curved hand are placed on chest, then moved outward while simultaneously forming an "and" hand. Then both open hands, palms down and fingers facing out, are moved down while simultaneously wiggling fingers.



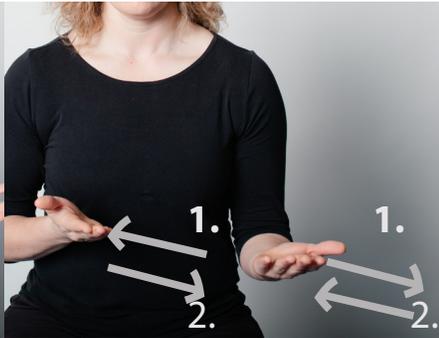
Stormy
Hold both open curved hands in front of head, palms facing each other. Move both hands from right to left, making swirling up and down movements from the wrists as they move.

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Winds
Both "5" hands are moved back and forth several times liltngly as if mimicking a breeze.



Bidding
Move both flat hands back and forward in opposite directions.



Mountains Hills
Both "5" hands, palms facing forward and fingertips up, trace a way line like a line of mountain (or hill) tops.



Trees, Cedars
Elbow of right arm is placed on back of left hand, with right fingers pointed up. Right wrist is twisted as right fingers are wiggled. (Simulating tree trunk and branches swaying in the wind.)



Flying
Hold flat hands out to each side at shoulder height, palms down and fingertips pointed to each side. Flap hands up and down a few times, simulating flapping wings.



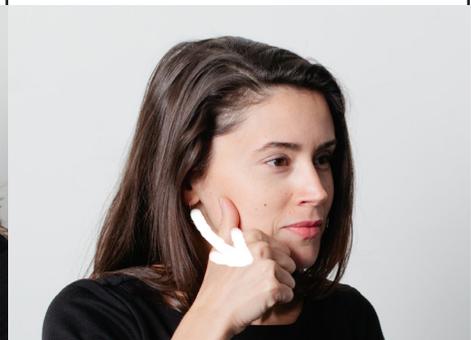
Birds
Touch mouth with index finger of right W hand a couple times (sign for water);. Then move both hands horizontally, with fingers & thumb spread apart.. Move hands downwards as you wiggle your fingers in short stages.



Kings
Right "K" hand, palm facing left. touches left shoulder, then is brought down to touch right hip.



Men
Thumb of right open hand touches forehead, then the chest.



Maiden
Thumb of right "A" hand is moved down contour of the right jaw from ear to almost the chin.

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E♭ B♭ Cm Gm Cm B♭ E♭ B♭⁷ Cm A♭ E♭ B♭ Cm

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low; Praise

5 B♭ E♭ B♭ E♭ A♭ B♭ E♭ Cm B♭ Fm E♭ B♭⁷ E♭ A♭ E♭

Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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Praise the Lord from the Earth

B^b E^b F E^b F
 Praise the Lord, from the earth, all you crea-tures of the sea, and all o - cean
 2 B^b Gm F E^b Gm⁷
 depths, light-ning, hail, snow and clouds, stor-my winds that do his bid-ding, Praise the
 5 B^b E^b B^b F B^b F Gm F B^b
 Lord, from the earth, Praise the LORD, — Praise the LORD, from the earth, Praise the LORD. Praisethe
 9 E^b F E^b F B^b
 LORD, from the earth, you_ moun-tains and all hills, you fruit trees and ce - dars, a - ni -
 13 B^b Gm B^b E^b Gm⁷ B^b
 mals, fly -ing birds, kings and ru -lers, men and maid ens, Praise the LORD, from the earth, Praise the
 16 B^b F Gm F B^b
 LORD, — Praise the LORD, from the earth, Praise the LORD.
 19 F B^b F B^b
 Psalm One - for - ty - eight, ver - ses se - ven through twelve.

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