Treasure Hunt

- What is the most direct evidence for five books of Psalms?
- What three periods in Israel's history do they describe, from the compiler's perspective?
- How do these five books outline the ministry of our Lord?
- How are they a roadmap for our spiritual lives?
- Who is confronting whom throughout most of Book 1?
- Who is confronting whom in Psalm 25, the center of Book 1?
- What needs to be communicated in Book 2?
- Who is the first defendant before God in Book 2?
- What two kinds of sin might we find in the church, and how should we deal with it?

Five Books of Psalms

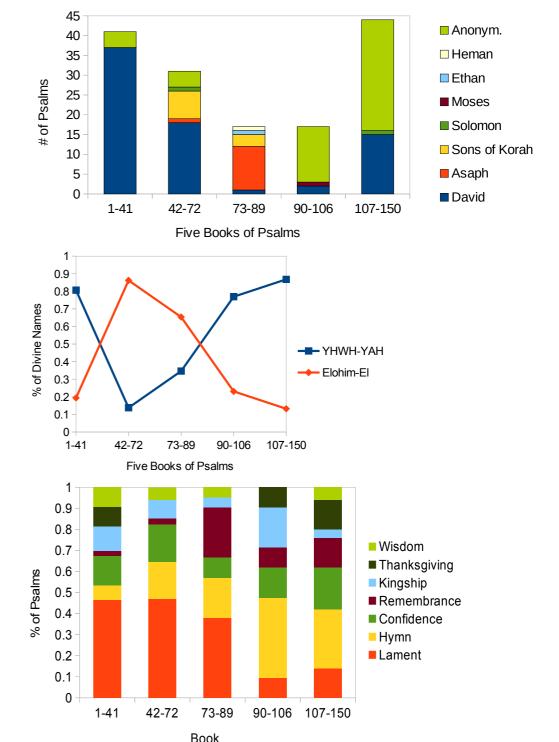
Psa 41:13 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen.

Psa 72:18-19 Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things. 19 And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory; Amen, and Amen.

Psa 89:52 Blessed be the LORD for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

Psa 106:48 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the LORD.

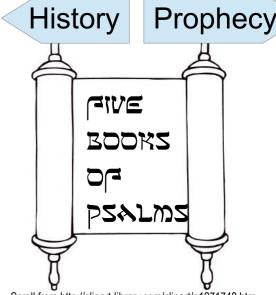
Psalms 146-160 Hallelujah!



Psalms as History and Prophecy

Books of Psalms	History	Prophecy	Personal
1-41, Confrontation	David vs. Saul & Absalom	Messiah vs. Herod	The Lord vs. Us
42-72, Communi- cation	Solomon's rule over all the earth	Our Lord's Earthly Ministry	Sanctifi- cation & Witness
73-89, Devastation	Assyria and Babylon	Rejection of Messiah	Perse- cution
90-106, Maturation	Faith without Temple or Palace	Present Evil Age	Mature Faith
107-150, Consumma- tion	Restoration by Ezra- Nehemiah	Millennium	Blessed Hope

Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.



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Col 1:24 Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:

2Ti 2:11 It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him: 12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him.

1-41, Book 1: Confrontation

Book 1: 1-41 1-2: Opening: 1st Torah Psalm, Messiah 3-14: Strength in Weakness 3-7: Laments of the Tired 8: **Hymn:** Victory of Babes & Sucklings 9-14: Laments of the Poor 15-24: **Dwelling** with God 15: Keep the Law to dwell with God 19: Hymn: 2nd Torah Psalm 24: Keep the law to dwell with God: Messiah 25: Acrostic of Humble Petition 26-32: Royal **Dwellingplace** Psalms 26-28: God's House for the Righteous 29: **Hymn**: The Lord Enthroned on the Flood 30-32: God's Shelter for the Penitent 33: Hymn: Creation, Nations, Salvation 34-41: Psalms of the Sufferer 34-37: The Innocent Sufferer 38-41: The Guilty Sufferer



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Psalm 25: Trusting God for Direction and Forgiveness

1-3: Trust, Wait, Ashamed, Enemies, Soul

4-7: First Cycle

4-5, Request: (Show, **teach**, lead) in thy (**ways**, truth, paths) because you **save** me 6-7, Request: **Remember not my sins** for thy **mercies**

חסד, goodness טוב, lovingkingnesses

8-11: Second Cycle

8-10, Statement: (**Teach**, guide) in thy (**way**, paths, judgment) because of your **mercy חסד** and **truth**

11, Request: Pardon סלח me for thy name's sake

12-18: Third Cycle

12-15, Statement: (**Teach**, show) in thy (**way**, covenant) those who **fear** you

16-18, Request: Forgive נסא me for thy mercy חנן

19-21: Trust, Wait, Ashamed, Enemies, Soul

22: From David to the Nation

Structure of Psalm 25



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Book 2, 42-72: Communication

42-44, Introduction: National Defeat 42-43, Individual Lament 44, Corporate Lament

45-48, Kingship Established 45, Messiah's Dynasty Founded 46-48, Elohim's Support Promised

49-60, God holds Court

49-50, Summons 49, All Peoples 50, Israel

51-60, Defendants 51, David 52-60, Gentiles and Israel

61-71, Dialog of the Kings 61-64, Laments of the Exiled King 65-68, Praise for Deliverance 69-71, Committing Judgment to God

72, Messiah's Victorious Rule

42-72, Book 2, Communication

42-49, Korah 50, Asaph

> 51-71, David



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72, Solomon

Structure of Psalm 50, "A Psalm of Asaph"

Psalm 50, God Judges his People

1-6, Declaration of the Lawsuit

5, Covenant and Sacrifice

7-14, To the faithful: worship is ...

7-13, ... not sacrifice ...

14-15, ... but thanksgiving and praise

16-23, To the wicked: need to obey 16-21, Presuming on the **covenant** 22-23, Offer praise and obey



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4 He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.

1Pe 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness:

Eph 3:10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

Judgment in the House of God

1Co 5:9 I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators: 10 Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world. 11 But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one **no not to eat**. 12 For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within? 13 But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.

1Co 11:27 Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink *this* cup of the Lord, **unworthily**, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. 28 But let a man **examine himself**, and so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup.

29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning (διακρινω Strong 1252) the Lord's body.

30 For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. 31 For if we would **judge** (διακρινω) ourselves, we should not be judged κρινω. 32 But when we are judged κρινω, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned κατακρινω with the world.