



Lessons from the Psalms

What is a Psalm?

“Zamar” – to sing, to chant, or play an instrument

Mounce’s Complete Expository Dictionary

“Psalmos” – to strike, a sacred song

W.E. Vines Expository Dictionary

The Five Divisions

- Book 1: (Psalm 1-41)
- Book 2: (Psalm 42-72)
- Book 3: (Psalm 73-89)
- Book 4: (Psalm 90-106)
- Book 5: (Psalm 107-150)

Blessed be the LORD God of Israel From
everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.
(Psalms 41:13)

God in the Psalms

- Remember God's Mercy: Psalm 136
- Remember God's Law: Psalm 19:1-6,7-11
- Remember God's Covenant Principle: Psalm 1:1-6

Cursed is the one who does not confirm all the words of this law by observing them.'

"And all the people shall say, 'Amen!' "

Deuteronomy 27:26

The Appeal of the Psalms

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. (Colossians 3:16)

- Intellect: (*Psalm 19:1-14; Psalm 15:1-5*)
- Emotions: (*Psalm 34:1-10; Psalm 130:1-8*)
- Will: (*Psalm 119:105-112*)

Lessons From Psalm 8

- God is Above the Heavens (vs. 1-3,9)
- God Cares for Man (vs. 3-8)
- God Made Man With High Expectations (vs. 5-8)

When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained, What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him? Psalms 8:3-4

Thought Questions

- What is Your God Like?
- Is he infinitely powerful?
- Do you allow God to operate in unexpected ways?
- Do you force God into a box?
- Do you try to help God along?
- How do you view your relationship with God?
- Is serving God about your happiness or his glory?

How Well Do You Know God?

Thus says the LORD: “Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, Let not the mighty man glory in his might, Nor let the rich man glory in his riches; But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the LORD, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight,” says the LORD. (Jeremiah 9:23-24)



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