

PSALMS

FOR EVERY SEASON

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Sun, 9:00 AM **The Story of the Psalms**

Sun, 10:00 AM **Psalm 22 & 23 - Songs for Suffering & Refuge**

Mon, 7:00 PM **Psalm 113-118 - Jesus' Final Songs**

Tue, 7:00 PM **Psalm 32 & 51 - Songs for Repentance**

Wed, 7:00 PM **David & Jesus**

Thu, 7:00 PM **Psalm 7 & 137 - Songs about Justice and Vengeance**

Fri, 7:00 PM **Psalm 89 & 107 - Songs about God's Steadfast Love**

The Flow of the Psalms

Less Praise, Increasing Lament

Less Lament, Increasing Praise

89 & 90

Book 1: 3-41

Introduction

- 1: Torah
- 2: Messiah

3-41: David
[-10,33: Anonymous]

41:13

Book 2: 42-72

42-49: Sons of Korah
[-43: Anon]

50: Asaph

51-71: David
(Historical Titles)
[-66,67,71: Anon]

Solomon: 72

72:18-20

Book 3: 73-89

73-83: Asaph

84-88:
Sons of Korah
[-86: David]

88: Heman
89: Ethan

89:52

Book 4: 90-106

90: Moses

91-106: Anonymous
[-101,103: David]

93-99:
The LORD Reigns

104-106:
Historical

106:48

Book 5: 107-145

107: God's *Hesed*
[Anonymous]

108-110: David

111-137: Anonymous
[-122,124,131,133: David]
[-127: Solomon]

113-118: Passover
119: Torah
120-134: Ascent

138-145: David

Conclusion

146-150:
Hallelu-YAH

Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.

Seams and Themes: Trusting God's *Hesed* after Exile

Books 1-2: David's Triumphs and Failures (72:20)

3: David flees from Absalom

41: David betrayed & delivered

42/43: Longing for God's House

51: David's Great Failure

72: Solomon's Blessing

Book 3: Exile Devastation

73: Why wicked prosper?
74,79,80,84: Communal laments (like exile)

88: All darkness, no praise

89: Lament over promises to David—where is *hesed*?

Book 4: Trust—God is King

90: Moses: God has been faithful from everlasting
93-99: The LORD reigns! (Even w/o physical king)

105/106: God is faithful, despite unfaithful Israel

Book 5: Awaiting Messiah

107: God's *hesed* delivers
110: David's Lord as King and Priest

Passover/Torah/Ascent:
Anticipation of Restoration
145: David praises forever

LAMENTS & INNOCENT SUFFERING

- Laments teach us how to suffer, yet keep trusting God.
- Characteristics:
 - Plea for help / complaint
 - Confession of sin / claim of innocence
 - Statement of trust in God's promises / past faithfulness
 - Praise / vow of faithfulness in return
- In every innocent sufferer, we see the suffering of Jesus.
 - Abel, Abraham, Joseph, David, Job, Hezekiah, Daniel
 - Why do the innocent suffer? We don't always know, but we are grateful that God allowed it in our favor.

PSALM 22 - MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY?

- Outline:
 - **v1-2** - Lament
 - **v3-5** - Trust
 - **v6-8** - Lament
 - **v9-10** - Trust
 - **v11-18** - Lament
 - **v19-21** - Trust
 - **v22-31** - Praise for deliverance!

PSALM 22 - MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY?

- **v1-2** - Suffering—Calling... but with no response.
 - **v1** - God, why?? This is the fundamental question.
- **v3-5** - Trusting—see God's faithfulness in past generations
 - **Heb 11** - God's deliverance from the other side
- **v6-8** - Suffering—Dealing with ridicule and mocking
 - **v8** - Faith in God belittled
- **v9-10** - Trusting—seeing God's faithfulness in my life
 - "Fullness of God in helpless babe."

PSALM 22 - MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY?

- **v11-13** - Suffering—Being completely surrounded
 - Also **v16** - surrounded by ravenous beasts
- **v14-18** (NKJV)
 - **v21** Save Me from the lion's mouth
And from the horns of the wild oxen!
- **v19-21** You have answered me.
 - **v21** - Finally... an answer! (**v2**)
- **v22-31** - Praise for deliverance!

PSALM 22 - MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY?

- **v22-31** - Praise for deliverance!
 - **v22** - Jesus suffered, Jesus trusted—now our brother!
 - **Heb 2:10-18** - Jesus understands!
 - **v24** - God hears. God answers.
 - **v25** - Response to God's faithfulness: our faithfulness
 - **v27-31** - Response: tell the nations!
 - **v27** - Remember (the Lord's supper)
 - **v31** - To a people yet unborn—He has done it!

PSALM 23 - YHWH IS MY SHEPHERD

- **v1-4 - YHWH as Shepherd**
 - The shepherd/sheep relationship - **John 10**
 - Full provision and guidance
 - Comfort and confidence in the face of death
- **v5-6 - YHWH as Host**
 - The Anointed's exaltation over all enemies - **Psalm 2**
 - "My cup overflows" **16:5; 116:13 (11:6; 75:8)**
 - The house of YHWH... forever

MY GOD, MY GOD (PSALM 22)

Tune: We Saw Thee Not (Eb - DO)

**My God, My God! My groan's unheard.
You answer not, no not a word.
I cry by day, my soul oppressed,
I cry by night, but have no rest.
Yet You are holy, King of Kings,
Enthroned on praises Israel sings.
Our fathers put their trust in You;
You heard their cry and brought them through.**

MY GOD, MY GOD (PSALM 22)

I am a worm and not a man,
Scorned by my people and my clan.
They mock my faith with jeering grim:
“Call God! For he delights in Him!”
Yet You are He who brought me forth,
Upon You I was cast from birth;
My whole life long, from babe to man,
You’ve been my God since life began.

MY GOD, MY GOD (PSALM 22)

Strong bulls surround; stay near, my Lord.

My heart like wax, I am outpoured.

My hands are pierced; I long for breath.

You lay me in the dust of death.

But You, O LORD, please hasten here;

Deliver me from sword and spear.

O LORD, my help, please hear my plea!

At last, my God, You answer me!

MY GOD, MY GOD (PSALM 22)

**I tell my brothers of Your name;
We sing Your praise and spread Your fame.
You seed of Jacob, stand in awe,
For He has heard me when I called.
The ends of all the earth will hear
And bow before the LORD with fear.
Those yet unborn will hear the word;
For He has done it! Praise the LORD!**

