

PSALMS

FOR EVERY SEASON

Normal, IL • Sept 25-30, 2022

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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

DAVID IN 1-2 SAMUEL & PSALMS

1 Sam 19:11-17	David's house surrounded	Ps 59
1 Sam 21:10–22:1	David seized by Achish	Ps 34, 56
1 Sam 22:1 (24:1-3)	David in cave	Ps 57, 142
1 Sam 22:6-23	Doeg the Edomite	Ps 52
1 S 23:14-15; 2 S 15-17	Desert of Judah	Ps 63
1 Sam 23:19; 26:1	David betrayed by Ziphites	Ps 54
2 Sam 8:1-14	Victory over several enemies	Ps 60
2 Sam 11-12	David's sin with Bathsheba	Ps 51, (32?)
2 Sam 15-17	Absalom's revolt	Ps 3
2 Sam 15:31	Ahithophel's treachery	(Ps 55, 41?)
2 Sam 22	Victory over all enemies	Ps 18
?	Concerning Cush, a Benjamite	Ps 7

PSALM 32 - BLESSED ARE THE FORGIVEN

- **v1-2** - Beatitude (blessing) for the forgiven
 - Transgression forgiven, sin covered, sin not counted
 - No deceit in spirit - honest, open about sin
- **v3-5** - The oppression of hidden sin
 - **v5** gives the resolution - confession and forgiveness
 - **Jas 5:16; Prov 28:13** - Wise people confess sin
- **v6-11** - Plea to learn from the psalmist's experience
 - **v6-7** - Seek God NOW—don't wait too long!
 - **v8-9** - Don't be stubborn, willingly confess & repent
 - **v10-11** - Repentance and trust lead to *joy*.
- **Rom 4:4-8** - David wasn't justified by works
 - David was truly forgiven... by Jesus' blood **Rom 3:25**

PSALM 51 - THE SACRIFICE OF A BROKEN SPIRIT

- **v1-6** - I have sinned, I know it, and it is terrible.
 - **v4** and **v5** - hyperbole - intentional exaggeration
 - He's so guilty, it's like he's been guilty his whole life
- **v7-12** - Plea for forgiveness & restoration
 - **v7** - Even *whiter* than snow!
 - **v8** - Rejoice in the pain that brings repentance.
 - **v11** - God's Spirit was with him
 - **v12** - Unshakable joy in forgiveness
- **v13-19** - Pledge to future work
 - **v13** - God can use our failures to help others
 - **v17** - What God wants: our humble, contrite hearts

Psalm 51 (M. W. Bassford)

Tune: Poor Wayfaring Stranger - F (Dm) - LA↓

1. According to Your lovingkindness,
O God, be merciful to me;
In Your great love blot out transgression,
And wash me from iniquity.
My sin is constantly before me;
I practiced evil in Your sight,
So when You speak You will be blameless,
And when You judge You will be right.

Psalm 51 (M. W. Bassford)

2. In sin my mother has conceived me,
But You desire Your truth within;
With hyssop cleanse and purify me,
Like snow unstained by any sin.
Relieve the bones that You have broken,
And teach me gladness in Your grace;
Blot out the guilt of my offenses,
And from my failings hide Your face.

Psalm 51 (M. W. Bassford)

3. Lord, form a righteous heart within me;
Renew a steadfast mind, I pray;
Do not dismiss me from Your presence
Nor take Your Spirit far away.
Restore the joy of Your salvation;
Sustain my willing spirit too;
Then I will teach Your ways to sinners
And lead transgressors back to You.

Psalm 51 (M. W. Bassford)

4. Defend me, God of my salvation,
And then my tongue will gladly sing;
You take no joy in sacrifices
And do not love my offering.
But You desire a broken spirit;
Contrition You will not despise;
Then by Your grace, do good to Zion
And bless the gifts that will arise.

End hymn

PSALM 32 & 51 - PSALMS FOR REPENTANCE

- Application:
 - Do not wait to confess—repentance brings relief
 - There may be consequences, but God will forgive!
 - When God forgives, He forgives *completely*
 - Cultivate a culture of openness & accountability

