

PSALM 44

Introduction & Overview

- The Psalms point toward Jesus (Lk. 24:44), so...
 - The Psalms must be read not only individually but also in harmony together.
 - The Psalms must be read in harmony with the whole of the Scriptures.
- Such a reading will call us to greater praise and trust in God.

Psalms 42 & 43

- This is a three-stanza hymn (chorus in 42:5, 11; & 43:5).
 - 42:1-5--My soul thirsts for the presence of God.
 - 42:6-11--My soul is cast down because of my oppressors.
 - 43:1-5--So I will call on God to bring me back to His holy hill.
- Psalms 42-49 form a unit, written by the sons of Korah, in the Psalms.

Psalm 44, Questions to Consider

1. How do the pronouns change from 42/43 to 44?

Overview Questions

2. In verses 1-8, what do the Psalmists say that God has done for their ancestors?
3. In verses 9-22, (a) what has happened to the Psalmists and (b) what do the Psalmists accuse God of?
4. In verses 23-26, what do the Psalmists call on God to do?

Connecting Questions

5. How does 44:25 connect to the chorus of Psalms 42 & 43?
6. How do the accusations against God in 44 echo those of 42 & 43?
7. How does the work of salvation in 44:1-3 connect to that of 43:3?
8. How does this Psalm connect to circumstances we face in life?
9. How does this Psalm point us forward to Jesus?