

BOOK OF PSALMS

LESSON 3

BOOK TWO (PSALMS 42-72)

PSALMS

Written over a time period of over 100 years

Written by various authors—men and women

Experiential—actually written from real life experiences

Psalm 42: Yearning for God (vs. 1-2)

Psalm 43: Prayer in Times of Trouble (vs. 1, 2, 5)

Psalm 44: Remembering God in Times of Dishonor (vs. 1-2, 9-10, 11-18)

Psalm 45: The Glories of the Messiah and His Bride (vs. 2, 4, 6, 13-14, 17)

Psalm 46: God—Our Refuge and Conqueror (vs. 1-3, 7-11)

Psalm 47: God—The Ruler of the Earth (vs. 1-3, 6-8)

Psalm 48: God's Glory in Zion (vs. 1-6, 9-10)

Psalms 46-48 form three great psalms of praise to God for His kingship and His love for the holy city of Jerusalem.

Psalm 49: Confidence of the Foolish (vs. 5-8, 10-20)

Psalm 50: God the Righteous Judge (vs. 4-6, 10-12, 16-23)

Psalm 51: Prayer of Repentance (vs. 1-3, 5, 10)

In Psalm 51, David is asking God to CREATE—renew—restore—transform! God is the only source of such a renewal.

Psalm 54: Answered Prayer for Deliverance from Adversaries (vs. 1-7)

Psalm 55: Trusting God among Treacherous Friends (vs. 6-8, 12-14, 15-19, 22-23)

Psalm 57: Prayer for Safety from Enemies (vs. 1-3, 6)

A. David flees from Saul to hide in a cave

Psalm 62: Resolve to Wait for the Salvation of God (vs. 1-2, 5-8, 11-12)

Psalm 63: Joy in the Fellowship of God (vs. 1-8)

Psalm 64: Rejoicing in Oppression

A. An appeal for protection from the wicked

B. A description of the evil activities of the wicked

C. The expectation of the defeat of the wicked

D. A description of the joy of the righteous

Psalm 66: Praise to God for His Awesome Works (vs. 5-7, 11-12, 16-20)

Psalm 71: God the Rock of Salvation (vs. 1-6, 12-13, 18-19)

Psalm 72: The Glory of His Reign (vs. 1-4, 8-9, 11-14, 17-19)

A. This psalm is attributed to Solomon, the son of David. It is believed by many that he wrote this psalm in honor of his father David at the end of an early edition of psalms so far collected. Other psalms were later added to this original collection.