

DELVING INTO THE PSALMS

PSALM 8

150 Hebrew Poems

DAVID (73) HEMAN & ETHAN (2)
 ASAPH (12) SOLOMON & MOSES (3)
 SONS OF KORAH (11) ANONYMOUS (49)

MANY WRITTEN FOR CHOIR...
 ...BUT NOT A HYMNBOOK

(SEE 1 CHRONICLES 25 & NEHEMIAH 11:22-23)

BOOK OF PSALMS

PSALMS

Torah & Messiah Lament & Praise Faith & Hope

PRAISE

- PRAYERS OF JOY & CELEBRATION
- DRAW ATTENTION TO WHAT'S GOOD IN THE WORLD
- RETELL THE STORY & THANK GOD

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD

LAMENT

- PRAYERS OF PAIN, CONFUSION, & ANGER
- DRAW ATTENTION TO WHAT'S WRONG IN THE WORLD
- ASK GOD TO DO SOMETHING

HOW LONG, O LORD?

LAMENT & PRAISE

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MAY THE LORD GOD OF ISRAEL BE BLESSED FOREVER, AMEN AND AMEN



DELVING INTO THE PSALMS

The Psalms: a collection of ancient Hebrew poems, songs and prayers by various writers compiled by the people of Israel some time after their exile in Babylon

Deliberately and cleverly collated into five different yet overlapping sections and themes

Served as a form of temple worship for the temple-less people God

41:13

(PS 72:17 = GEN 12:3 & 22:17)

72:18-19

89:52

106:48

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Definitions

Summary

Synonyms



delve



in British English

(dɛlv  )

verb (*mainly intr; often foll by in or into*)

1. to inquire or research deeply or intensively
(for information, etc)
he delved in the Bible for quotations
2. to search or rummage (in a drawer, the pockets, etc)

PSALM 8

**“FOR THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC.
ACCORDING TO GITTITH.
A PSALM OF DAVID”**

PSALM 8 IS MEANT FOR CORPORATE WORSHIP

PSALM 8 WAS WRITTEN BY (OR WITH/FOR) DAVID

PSALM 8 WAS ACCORDING TO GITTITH

Gittith

“...signifies belonging to Gath. It probably denotes either a musical instrument or a kind of music derived from Gath, where David sojourned for a time during the persecution of Saul, 1 Samuel 27:1-7. The word Gath also signifies in Hebrew a winepress. Hence not a few have supposed that it denotes either an instrument or a melody used in the vintage. It is prefixed to Psalm 8:1-9; 81:1- 16; 84:1-12”

**1 Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in
all the earth!
You have set your glory in the
heavens.**

**2 Through the praise of
children and infant you have
established a stronghold
against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the
avenger.**

**3 When I consider your
heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,**

**4 what is mankind that you are
mindful of them,
human beings that you care
for them?**

**5 You have made them a little
lower than the angels and
crowned them with glory and
honour.**

**6 You made them rulers over
the works of your hands; you
put everything under their feet:
7 all flocks and herds, and the
animals of the wild,**

**8 the birds in the sky, and the
fish in the sea, all that swim
the paths of the seas.**

**9 Lord, our Lord, how majestic
is your name in all the earth!**

THE LORD IS MARVELLOUS

THE LORD HAS GRANTED US AMAZING DIGNITY



WHAT'S IN A NAME?

YHWH = Our Lord is lost in translation

The musical style or instrumentation may be from Gath, but the God is OUR MASTER

'Name' in v1 is not simply a vague title given to call someone by, but the essence of who they are

אַדִּיר

‘addir’

***excellent, famous, gallant, glorious, goodly,
lordly, mighty(-ier one), noble, principal, worthy***

YAHWEH IS ALL THIS AND MORE!

MAJESTIC GLORY

His name is majestic throughout the earth - not just in Israel where the psalm was written

But His greatness is not confined to the soil - His glory is firmly established in the heavens (skies/air)

All creation testifies to the greatness of The Lord

***The world of nature is preaching to us today
and it is urging us to believe in and then to
worship the creator, and simultaneously it
is urging us to be hopeful and confident in
the same God***

STUART BELL, THE DEW FALL, P21

OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES

Jesus quoted verse 2 Himself when He speaking to the chief priests and teachers of the law

The children were shouting at Hosanna to the Son of David - hailing the Messiah

God so often uses the least and the unexpected to proclaim His Kingdom

14 The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them.

15 But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, “Hosanna to the Son of David,” they were indignant.

**16 “Do you hear what these children
are saying?” they asked him.
“Yes,” replied Jesus, “have you never
read,
“From the lips of children and infants
you, Lord, have called forth your
praise’?”**

HOSANNA !

Matthew wanted us to understand that Jesus was accepting the praise this psalm affords YHWH

The scribes were indignant as the children were continuing the shouts of the 'Triumphal Entry'

May God deliver us from silencing or failing to join the child-like praise of our youngest

**THE GOD OF THE TINY INFANT IS ALSO
THE ALMIGHTY GOD OF CREATION**

THE GOD OF THE TINY INFANT...

In fact... the God of all creation, Himself became a tiny infant!

The writer of Hebrews, in chapter 2, quotes verses 4-6 in explaining the incarnation of Jesus

Born of the virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Spriti, He came to save us from sin and death

9 But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honour because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

10 In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered.

**CHRIST, WHO WAS FULLY GOD, LEFT THE GLORY OF
HEAVEN AND WAS BORN FULLY HUMAN SO THAT,
THOUGH HIS LIFE, DEATH AND RESERRECTION, WE,
WHO ARE FULLY HUMAN, MIGHT BE BORN AGAIN
AND BROUGHT TO GLORY**

SALVATION

Through the lens of Jesus, and the insight of The New Testament, Psalm 8 helps us to know salvation

This is THE GOOD NEWS (The Gospel, The Evangelion, The Message of The Kingdom)

Are we living in the truth and the hope of the salvation Christ is offering today?

**CONSIDER HIS HEAVENS, THE WORKS OF HIS
FINGERS, THE MOON AND THE STARS THAT HE HAS
SET IN THEIR PLACE...**

When was the last time you MADE time to consider the works of His hands?

Are technology and our relentless need for stimulation and entertainment destroying wonder?

I beg you - please sometimes put your phone down and just go for a wonder wander!

**HAVE WE LOST, OR ARE WE IN DANGER OF LOSING,
THE PRECIOUS ART OF BEING LOST IN WONDER?**

WHO WE ARE IN HIM

When we consider how awesome and mighty our creator is, we have perspective on who we are

It is utterly remarkable that God should bestow such dignity and honour upon us - look at yourself!

The psalmist wondered at the authority God gave us in creation - in Christ it is even more astounding!

With good reason therefore does the psalmist conclude as he began, Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth, which has been honoured with the presence of the Redeemer, and is still enlightened by his gospel and governed by his wisdom and power!

In singing this and praying it over, though we must not forget to acknowledge, with suitable affections, God's common favours to mankind, particularly in the serviceableness of the inferior creatures to us, yet we must especially set ourselves to give glory to our Lord Jesus, by confessing that he is Lord, submitting to him as our Lord, and waiting till we see all things put under him and all his enemies made his footstool.

**UNDERSTANDING WHO YHWH IS TRULY IS THE ONLY
WAY WE CAN UNDERSTAND WHO WE TRULY ARE**