DELVING INTO THE PSALMS

PSALM 16

PSALMS

150 HEBREW POEMS

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

MANY WRITTEN FOR CHOIR...

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

...BUT NOT A HYMNBOOK

BOOK OF PSALMS

Torah & Messiah

Lament & Praise

Faith & Hope

LAMENT

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

HOW LONG, O LORD?

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 & PRAISE

PRAISE & LAMENT

BOOK 1 — 3-41

1 BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO MEDITATES ON THE TORAH (TEACHING / 5 BOOKS OF MOSES)

PSALMS = A NEW TORAH ABOUT PRAYER

2 POETIC REFLECTION ON 2 SAMUEL 7

MESSIANIC KING — EVIL

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO TAKE REFUGE IN THE KING

15 CALL TO COVENANT FAITHFULNESS

16-18 DAVID'S PAST DELIVERANCE AND ELEVATION AS KING

PSALM 19 TORAH

20-23 FUTURE KING'S DELIVERANCE AND KINGDOM OVER THE NATIONS

24 CALL TO COVENANT FAITHFULNESS

ZION — THE NATIONS

41:13

BOOK 2 — 42-72

42-43 HOPE FOR A FUTURE RETURN TO THE TEMPLE IN ZION

72 FUTURE REIGN OF THE MESSIANIC KING

ECHOES THE PROPHETS:
- ISAIAH 11, 45, & 60
- ZECHARIAH 9

FULFILLMENT OF GOD'S PROMISE TO ABRAHAM (PS 72:17 = GEN 12:3 & 22:17)

72:18-19

BOOK 3 — 73-89

ZION — 89

PROMISE OF A MESSIANIC KINGDOM VERSUS EXILE & DOWNFALL OF DAVID'S KINGDOM

DON'T FORGET YOUR PROMISE

89:52

BOOK 4 — 90-106

90 MOSES — HAVE MERCY ON YOUR SERVANTS!

93-99 THE LORD REIGNS AS KING

"LET THE TREES CLAP, LET THE MOUNTAINS & RIVERS SING"

106:48

BOOK 5 — 107-145

107-110 THE MESSIANIC KING DEFEATS EVIL & BRINGS GOD'S KINGDOM — EVIL

113-118 THE HALLEL

118 MESSIANIC KINGDOM

SUSTAIN HOPE IN A FUTURE EXODUS WHEN GOD REDEEMS HIS PEOPLE

PSALM 119 TORAH

"GOD HAS RAISED UP A HORN FOR HIS PEOPLE" (118:19) = SEE 1 SAM 2:10 & PS 132:17

120-136 THE SONGS OF ASCENTS

132 MESSIANIC KINGDOM

HALLELU-YAH 146 HALLELU-YAH

HALLELU-YAH 147 HALLELU-YAH

HALLELU-YAH 148 HALLELU-YAH

HALLELU-YAH 149 HALLELU-YAH

HALLELU-YAH 150 HALLELU-YAH

HALLELU (PRAISE) + -YAH (YAHWEH)

PSALMS: THE PRAYERBOOK OF GOD'S PEOPLE WHO ARE STRIVING TO BE FAITHFUL TO THE TORAH, AND WAITING FOR THE MESSIANIC KINGDOM

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

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DELVING INTO THE PSALMS

The Psalms: a collection of ancient Hebrew poems, songs and prayers by various writers complied 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

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Collins
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 16: A Michtam of David

The term "Miktam" appears in the titles of six psalms within the Book of Psalms: Psalms 16, 56, 57, 58, 59, and 60. These psalms are attributed to David and are often associated with times of distress or danger, reflecting a deep trust in God amidst adversity. The exact meaning of "Miktam" is uncertain, but it is traditionally understood to denote a type of musical or liturgical term, possibly indicating a "golden" or "precious" composition, or a "mystery" or "secret."

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1 Keep me safe, my God,
for in you I take refuge.
2 I say to the Lord, “You are my
Lord; apart from you I have no
good thing.”

3 I say of the holy people who are in
the land, “They are the noble ones in
whom is all my delight.”
4 Those who run after other gods will
suffer more and more. I will not pour
out libations of blood to such gods or
take up their names on my lips.

5 Lord, you alone are my
portion and my cup; you make
my lot secure.
6 The boundary lines have fallen
for me in pleasant places; surely
I have a delightful inheritance.

7 I will praise the Lord, who
counsels me; even at night my
heart instructs me.
8 I keep my eyes always on the
Lord. With him at my right
hand, I will not be shaken.

9 Therefore my heart is glad and
my tongue rejoices; my body also
will rest secure,
10 because you will not abandon
me to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your faithful one
see decay.

11 You make known to me the
path of life;
you will fill me with joy in
your presence,
with eternal pleasures at
your right hand.

A Golden PSALM

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MESSIANIC PSALM

This is one of the prophetic psalms about Christ and therefore referred to as a 'messianic psalm'

Some such psalms can be slightly challenging to clearly identify but no such challenge with this one!

Psalm 16 is quoted by Peter at Pentecost (Acts 2) & Paul in Antioch in direct reference to Jesus (Acts 13)

“The new is in the old concealed; the old is in the new revealed”

AUGUSTINE

23 This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. 24 But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR DEATH TO KEEP IT'S HOLD ON HIM

25 David said about him:
“‘I saw the Lord always before me.
Because he is at my right hand,
I will not be shaken.
26 Therefore my heart is glad and
my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest in hope,

Unshakeable faith, glad hearts, rejoicing tongues and Hope for bodies!

27 because you will not abandon
me to the realm of the dead, you
will not let your holy one see decay.
28 You have made known to me
the paths of life; you will fill me
with joy in your presence.’

WHERE IS YOUR JOY?

‘He is where the joy is’

TARA-LEIGH COBBLE, THE BIBLE RECAP

29 “Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. 30 But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne.

THE KING OF KINGS ON DAVID'S THRONE

31 Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay.

Psalm 16: A Resurrection Miktam of David

It is such a psalm as might be composed at any time in view of solemn reflections on life, death, the grave, and the world beyond... although they were to be laid in the grave, they would not always remain there; that they would be released from the tomb, and be raised up to the right hand of God. It expresses more clearly than can be found almost anywhere else in the Old Testament a belief in the doctrine of the resurrection - an assurance that those who love God, and keep his commandments, will not always remain in the grave.

ALBERT BARNES, NOTES ON THE BIBLE

THE SAME SPIRIT

The truth about Christ contained in this psalm is as golden as it gets!

The resurrection changes everything - death has lost it's sting! (1 Corinthians 15 / Hosea 13:14)

In Acts 2 the same Spirit the raised Christ from the grave is poured out to empower His church

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee;
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS, GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT REDEEMER / JEHOVAH

God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

ACTS 2:32

CAN I GET A WITNESS?!

Peter (probably) & many of the original witnesses were killed for maintaining their testimony

We did not see the physical body of the resurrected Jesus with our own eyes

But this room is still full of witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus!