

The Book of the Psalms

Introduction to Psalm 15

Author

What is the Book of Psalms and who were the composers of the book?

Date

When was the Psalter composed?

Title

What are the Hebrew, Greek and Latin titles and what kind of book is the Psalter?

Structure

What is the structure of the Book of the Psalms?

Literary Types

What are the various literary types contained in the Book of Psalms?

Themes and Characteristics

Are the Psalms liturgical poetry? What are the themes presented in the Psalter?

Christian Perspective

Is the Book of the Psalms quoted often in the New Testament?

(Read Psalm 1) What kind of Psalm is this? (Note 1:1-6)

What is a scoffer? (Note 1:1), What is meant by following: “the law of the Lord” (Note 1:2), “like a tree”(Note 1:3), “chaff” (Note 1:4), “the way ... will perish”(Note 1:6)?

What does the term Blessed mean? See Word Study

(Read Psalm 2) What kind of a Psalm is this? (Note 2:1-12)

What is meant by the following terms: “his anointed”(Note 2:2), “Zion”(Note 2:6), “you are my son”(Note 2:7), “the nations”(Note 2:8)?

Psalm 3, what kind of Psalm is it? What does the Superscription mean? (Note 3:1-8)
What does Selah mean? (Note 3:2)

What is the meaning of Psalm 5? Who is the choirmaster? (Note 5:1-12)

(Read Psalm 6) What kind of Psalm is this? (Note 6:1-10)

What is meant by the terms: "Sheol" (Note 6:5) and "Depart from me" (Note 6:8)

(Read 7:1-2) How is the wicked man depicted in the Psalms? (Note 7:2)

(Read 7:14-16) How does the Bible portray sin? (Note 7:14, Note 7:15)

(Read Psalm 8) What kind of Psalm is this? (Note 8:1-9)

What is meant by the following terms: "the son of man" (Note 8:4) "dominion" (Note 8:6)

Psalm 9, What type of Psalm is this? (Note 9:1-20)

What is meant by the following terms: "I will tell" (Note 9:1), "the throne" (Note 9:4), "daughter of Zion" (Note 9:14)

(Read Psalm 10) What type of Psalm is this? (Note 10:1-18)

What is meant by the following terms: "Why... far off" (Note 10:1) "his thoughts" (Note 10:4)

Psalm 11, what type of psalm is this? (Note 11:1-7)

What is meant by the following terms: "mountains" (Note 11:1), "the Lord is righteous" (Note 11:7)

Psalm 12 concerns itself with what topic? (Note 12:1-8)

(Read Psalm 13) Does the Psalmist trust in the Lord? (Note 13:1-6)

(Read Psalm 14) Who is a fool that claims there is no God? (Note 14:1)

Who are the children of men? (Note 14:2) What does it mean to call upon the Lord? (Note 14:4)

(Read Psalm 15) What is an entrance liturgy? (Note 15:1-5) What is putting out money for interest (Note 15:5)