

PSALMS

BASIC INFO

- ✍ **Author:** David, Solomon, others
- 📅 **Date written:** compiled 400 BC
- 📍 **Settings :** Various periods

MAIN CHARACTERS



DAVID

KEY THEMES

- Praise & Worship** – Psalms call believers to glorify God in all circumstances.
- Trust in God** – Many psalms affirm God's faithfulness, even in hardship.
- Lament & Repentance** – Honest prayers of sorrow, seeking God's mercy.
- Messianic Prophecy** – Psalms point to Jesus as the coming King and Savior.
- God's Sovereignty & Mercy** – God rules over all nations with perfect justice and abundant mercy

SUMMARY

Psalms is Israel's shared prayer book, 150 poems gathered over many centuries. David pens most, yet Asaph, the sons of Korah, Solomon, Ethan, and even Moses add their voices, turning the collection into a choir rather than a solo. The editors arrange the songs into five mini-books that echo the five books of Moses, hinting that steady worship retells salvation history. Some psalms explode with trumpets in crowded courtyards, others tremble from lonely caves. Raw lament sits beside joyful thanks, teaching that every emotion can rise to God. Repeated refrains like "His love endures forever" anchor faith when feelings swing. Wisdom psalms compare righteous trees with chaff blown away, while royal hymns celebrate a coming King who rules with justice and gentleness. Many lines point beyond Israel's own story to the Messiah who will suffer yet be exalted. Acrostics, parallel lines, and musical notes reveal the artistry behind the prayers, but the heart of the book is trust: the Lord hears, rescues, guides, and forgives. By ending with five radiant praises, Psalms moves the reader from honest struggle to loud hallelujah, showing a path every pilgrim can follow. Its enduring message is simple, bring your whole life before God, speak plainly, and let worship turn each day into music

KEY VERSES

- ✠ **Psalm 1:2** – "But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night." – We are blessed when we love, obey, and think about God's Word every day,
- ✠ **Psalm 23:1** – "The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want." – God cares for us like the best shepherd, providing and protecting.
- ✠ **Psalm 46:10** – "Be still, and know that I am God." – Stop, repent, and trust God's power completely.
- ✠ **Psalm 51:10** – "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." – A prayer for a clean heart.
- ✠ **Psalm 150:6** – "Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD." – Everything alive should praise God always

JESUS IN THIS BOOK

The Psalms point straight to Jesus Christ. They speak of His voluntary Passion and bodily Resurrection, His royal power, and His eternal High-Priesthood after the order of Melchizedek (Ps 110). Psalm 22 foretells His sufferings on the Cross, while Psalm 2 proclaims Him the Son and King anointed by the Holy Spirit. The Trinity is also written in "The Lord said to my Lord" (Ps 110:1). Jesus often quoted the Psalms, showing they are truly about Him.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Psalms teaches us to worship, pray, and trust God in every season of life. It reminds us that His presence is constant, whether in joy or sorrow, calling us to continual praise, humble repentance, and deep faith in His plan. As we yield our will and respond in obedience to His divine gift, believers are drawn into communion with God, finding strength, comfort, and peace through every trial and triumph