

Psalms

The Importance of Praise – 2 Chron 20

- Vs 1– Moabites, children of Ammon & the Ammonites came against King Jehosaphat.
- Vs 3-4 – King Jehosaphat sought God, proclaimed a fast, & asked help from the Lord.
- Vs 6-12 – King Jehosaphat prayed, ending his prayer with the phrase: “our eyes are fixed on thee.”
- Vs 14-17 – God answered – “the battle is not yours, but the Lord’s
- Vs 18-19 – Praised & worshipped.
- Vs 20 – “believe in the Lord”
- Vs 21 – King Jehosaphat placed the singers and musicians before the army, to praise God.
- Vs 22 – “when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir”
- Vs 27 – “every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy”

Authors of the Psalms

- David – at least 73, probably 75
- Asaph – 12 (Levite)
- Sons of Korah – 10 (Levites)
- Solomon – 2
- Heman – 1 (of the pre-Israelite people)
- Ethan – 1 (of the pre-Israelite people)
- Moses – 1
- Unknown – 48-50

Division of the Psalms

- In the Tenach, the Jewish Bible (Old Testament) the book of Psalms is actually five books:
 - Book 1 = Psalms 1 – 41
 - Book 2 = Psalms 42 – 72
 - Book 3 = Psalms 73 – 89
 - Book 4 = Psalms 90 – 106
 - Book 5 = Psalms 107 – 150

- The last Psalm in each of these books acts as a doxology for the book, and Psalm 150 acts as a doxology for the whole of the five books.

Jesus in the Psalms

- The Son of God will govern the nations - 2:7-8
- The Messiah from David's lineage - 110:1
- Christ's jealousy – 69:9
- The suffering of Christ – 69:9
- Christ's parables – 78:2
- Christ's being rejected by the people – 118:22
- The priesthood of Christ – 110:4
- The betrayal of Christ 41:9
- The crucifixion of Christ – 22:1-18
- The resurrection of Christ – 16:9-11
- The reign of Christ – 8:6

The Holy Spirit in the Psalms

- Created life – 104:30
- Companion to the believer – 139:7
- Guides & instructs – 143:10
- Sustains those who repent 51:11-12
- Returns to the rebellious according to their words – 106:33

Haced Love in the Psalms

- God's ways are haced – 25:10
- God's haced is great towards us – 117:2
- God's haced comes quickly to us – 79:8
- God's haced is abundant towards us – 86:5
- God's haced love makes Him slow to anger – 145:8
- God's haced is forever – 136 (24 times)
- God's haced never fails – Lam 3:22
- God's haced surrounds us – 32:11
- God's haced supports us – 94:18
- God's haced is better than life – 63:3
- The world is full of God's haced – 119:64

Important Words in Psalms

- God – 300 times
- Lord – 300 times
- Praise – 225 times
- Eagle – 139 times
- World – 139 times
- Just, or Justice – 133 times
- Haced Love – 128 times
- Soul – 97 times
- People – 85 times