

Psalms

Summary

Collection of songs and prayers that covers hundreds of years of Jewish history. Psalms teaches us how to pray, grieve, rejoice, and worship. Psalms is the largest book in the Bible and the most quoted Old Testament book in the New Testament. Psalms 1-2 encompasses the message of the entire book. Each of the 150 Psalms ends with a doxology. Psalms is a combination of 5 books:

- Book 1 (1-41)
- Book 2 (42-72)
- Book 3 (73-89)
- Book 4 (90-106)
- Book 5 (107-150)

Author(s) and Date:

David, Asaph, Descendants of Kora, Solomon, Heman, Ethan, Moses, 49 are anonymous. 586 BC

Audience/ Setting:

People of Israel. Parallel events in history such as David's flight from Saul and his sin with Bathsheba.

Purpose:

Provide poetry for expression of praise, worship, and confession to God. Psalms highlights how our relationship should be with Christ (in the good and bad times). God is always worthy of the praise and we need to seek His wisdom and truth.

Key People:

David

Key Places:

Jerusalem, God's holy temple

References

Holman KJV Study Bible
NLT Life Application Study Bible
Tony Evans Study Bible