**Lesson 15 The Book of Psalms**

**The Journey of a Life Time**

Hebrew poetry is different from poetry we are used to. It achieves rhythm mostly by repetition of thought, which is called parallelism, and it may take any of three forms:

Synonymous – The second half of a verse repeats the same thought as the first, but in different words.

Antithetic – The second statement is a contrast to the first.

Synthetic – The idea is reinforced by the second clause or verse.

**Brief Outline of The Book:**

I. Psalms of David (1.41)

II. Psalms Concerning the Nation of Israel (42-72)

III. Psalms Concerning the Sanctuary (73-89)

IV. Miscellaneous Psalms (90-106)

V. Psalms for Worship (107-150)

**Survey of the Book:**

I. Psalms of David (1.41)

According to verse 1, what are the things that a godly or happy man does NOT do? (NIV best version for this question.

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On the other hand, what does the happy man do? (Verse 2)

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II. Psalms Concerning the Nation of Israel (42-72)

Which of the three kinds of Hebrew rhythm is used in verse 1?

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What kind is used in verse 2-5? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Read verse 10, and explain why we must experience inner stillness to be able to know God’s presence in times of trouble: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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III. Psalms Concerning the Sanctuary (73-89)

Read verse 11-15, and explain why we sometimes lose the proper perspective concerning the wicked:

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Read verses 17-19 to see how we can regain the proper perspective:

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IV. Miscellaneous Psalms (90-106)

What two facts are revealed about God in the first two verses of Psalm 90?

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According to Psalm 90.10, how long can the average man expect to live? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you think is the meaning of verse 12? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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V. Psalms for Worship (107-150)

What three conditions for happiness are set forth in Psalm 119.1-3?

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What does Psalm 119.11 mean? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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Home Work:

The following terms are found many times in the Book of Psalms. Using a Bible dictionary, find the meaning of these words.

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