

Bible Survey III

Class 1 — Psalms 1-15

For the next six classes, select the title that best describes each Psalm, placing the letter of the title beside the Psalm number. Use each title only once. Though some of the Psalms have multiple themes and some titles might arguably apply to more than one Psalm, use each title only once. The titles are from a list provided in *Walk Thru the Bible*, pages 157-160.

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
1	_____	a. Coronation of the Lord's Anointed
2	_____	b. Evening Prayer for Deliverance
3	_____	c. Morning Prayer for Guidance
4	_____	d. Two Ways of Life Contrasted
5	_____	e. Victory in the Face of Defeat

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
6	_____	a. Wickedness Justly Rewarded
7	_____	b. Praise for Victory over Enemies
8	_____	c. God's Glory and Man's Dominion
9	_____	d. Petition for God's Judgment
10	_____	e. Prayer for God's Mercy

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
11	_____	a. The Characteristics of the Godless
12	_____	b. The Prayer for God's Answer—Now
13	_____	c. God Tests the Sons of Men
14	_____	d. The Characteristics of the Godly
15	_____	e. The Pure Words of the Lord

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Class 2 – Psalms 16-45

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
16	_____	a. Eternal Life for One Who Trusts
17	_____	b. Thanksgiving for Deliverance by God
18	_____	c. "Hide Me Under the Shadow of Your Wings"
19	_____	d. Trust Not in Chariots and Horses but in God
20	_____	e. The Works and Word of God
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
21	_____	a. Psalm of the Cross
22	_____	b. Psalm of the Divine Shepherd
23	_____	c. (Acrostic) Prayer for Instructions
24	_____	d. Triumph of the King
25	_____	e. Psalm of the King of Glory
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
26	_____	a. "Examine Me, O Lord, and Prove Me"
27	_____	b. Praise for Dramatic Deliverance
28	_____	c. The Powerful Voice of God
29	_____	d. Trust in the Lord and Be Not Afraid
30	_____	e. Rejoice Because of Answered Prayer

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Class 2 — Psalms 16-45 (cont.)

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
31	_____	a. "Be of Good Courage"
32	_____	b. God Considers All Man's Works
33	_____	c. The Blessedness of Forgiveness
34	_____	d. Petition for God's Intervention
35	_____	34. Seek the Lord
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
36	_____	a. The Heavy Burden of Sin
37	_____	b. Delight to Do God's Will
38	_____	c. Know the Measure of Man's Days
39	_____	d. "Rest in the Lord"
40	_____	e. The Excellent Lovingkindness of God
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
41	_____	a. Seek After the Lord
42	_____	b. "Hope in God"
43	_____	c. The Psalm of the Great King
44	_____	d. The Blessedness of Helping the Poor
45	_____	e. Prayer for Deliverance by God

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Class 3 — Psalms 46-75

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
46	_____	a. "God Is Our Refuge and Strength"
47	_____	b. The Lord Shall Judge All People
48	_____	c. The Praise of Mount Zion
49	_____	d. The Lord Shall Subdue All Nations
50	_____	e. Riches Cannot Redeem
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
51	_____	a. The Lord Is Our Helper
52	_____	b. "Cast Your Burden upon the Lord"
53	_____	c. Confession and Forgiveness of Sin
54	_____	d. The Lord Shall Judge the Deceitful
55	_____	e. A Portrait of the Godless
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
56	_____	a. Wicked Judges Will Be Judged
57	_____	b. A Prayer for Deliverance of the Nation
58	_____	c. Fears in the Midst of Trials
59	_____	d. Prayers in the Midst of Perils
60	_____	e. Petition for Deliverance from Violent Men

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Class 3 — Psalms 46-75 (cont.)

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
61	_____	a. A Prayer When Overwhelmed
62	_____	b. Wait for God
63	_____	c. Thirst for God
64	_____	d. A Prayer for God's Protection
65	_____	e. God's Provision through Nature
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
66	_____	a. God Shall Govern the Earth
67	_____	b. Remember What God Has Done
68	_____	c. Prayer for the Poor and Needy
69	_____	d. Petition for God to Draw Near
70	_____	e. God Is the Father of the Fatherless
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
71	_____	a. Request for God to Remember His Covenant
72	_____	b. The Perspective of Eternity
73	_____	c. The Reign of the Messiah
74	_____	d. "God Is the Judge"
75	_____	e. Prayer for the Aged

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Class 4 — Psalms 76-105

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
76	_____	a. God's Continued Guidance in Spite of Unbelief
77	_____	b. Israel's Plea for God's Mercy
78	_____	c. Avenge the Defilement of Jerusalem
79	_____	d. The Glorious Might of God
80	_____	e. When Overwhelmed, Remember God's Greatness

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
81	_____	a. Plea for God to Destroy Israel's enemies
82	_____	b. Prayer for Revival
83	_____	c. God's Pleas for Israel's Obedience
84	_____	d. Rebuke of Israel's Urgent Judges
85	_____	e. The Joy of Dwelling with God

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
86	_____	a. "Teach Us to Number Our Days"
87	_____	b. "Teach me Your Way, O Lord"
88	_____	c. Crying from Deepest Affliction
89	_____	d. Claiming God's Promises in Affliction
90	_____	e. Glorious Zion, City of God

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Class 4 – Psalms 76-105 (cont.)

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
91	_____	a. It is Good To Praise the Lord
92	_____	b. Abiding in "the Shadow of the Almighty"
93	_____	c. Call to Worship the Lord
94	_____	d. Vengeance Belongs Only to God
95	_____	e. The Majesty of God
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
96	_____	a. "Serve the Lord with Gladness"
97	_____	b. "Exalt the Lord Our God"
98	_____	c. Declare the Glory of God
99	_____	d. Rejoice! The Lord Reigns!
100	_____	e. Sing a New Song to the Lord
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
101	_____	a. Remember, God Keeps His Promises
102	_____	b. Commitments of a Holy Life
103	_____	c. Bless the Lord, All You People!
104	_____	d. Psalm Rehearsing Creation
105	_____	e. Pray of an Overwhelmed Saint

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Class 5 – Psalms 106-135

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
106	_____	a. "We Have Sinned"
107	_____	b. Song of the Slandered
108	_____	c. God Satisfies the Longing Soul
109	_____	d. The Coming of the Priest-King-Judge
110	_____	e. Awake Early and Praise the Lord
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
111	_____	a. Praise for God's Tender Care
112	_____	b. The Blessings of Those Who Fear God
113	_____	c. In Praise for the Exodus
114	_____	d. To God Alone Be the Glory
115	_____	e. The Condescending Grace of God
Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
116	_____	a. The Praise of All Peoples
117	_____	b. A Cry in Distress
118	_____	c. Better to Trust God than Man
119	_____	d. An Acrostic in Praise of the Scriptures
120	_____	e. Love the Lord for what He Has Done

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Class 5 — Psalms 106-135 (cont.)

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
121	_____	a. Trust in the Lord and Abide Forever
122	_____	b. God Is on Our Side
123	_____	c. God is Our Keeper
124	_____	d. "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem"
125	_____	e. Plea for the Mercy of God

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
126	_____	a. Plea of the Persecuted
127	_____	b. "My Soul Waits for the Lord"
128	_____	c. Blessing on the House of the God-fearing
129	_____	d. "Sow in Tears, Reap in Joy"
130	_____	e. Children are God's Heritage

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
131	_____	a. Trust in the God of David
132	_____	b. Praise the Lord in the Evening
133	_____	c. God Has Done Great Things!
134	_____	d. A Childlike Faith
135	_____	e. Beauty of the Unity of the Brethren

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Class 6 – Psalms 136-150

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
136	_____	a. God's Mercy Endures Forever
137	_____	b. Tears in Exile
138	_____	c. "Search Me, O God"
139	_____	d. God Answered My Prayer
140	_____	e. Preserve Me from Violence

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
141	_____	a. "What Is Man?"
142	_____	b. "Teach Me to Do Your Will"
143	_____	c. Testify to God's Great Acts
144	_____	d. Set a Guard, O Lord, over My Mouth
145	_____	e. "No One Cares for My Soul"

Psalm	Title Letter	Titles from Which to Choose
146	_____	a. "Praise the Lord"
147	_____	b. "The Lord Takes Pleasure in His People"
148	_____	c. "Do Not Put Your Trust in Princes"
149	_____	d. God Heals the Brokenhearted
150	_____	e. All Creation Praises the Lord

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Class 6

Introduction to Proverbs

The chief feature of Hebrew poetry is *parallelism*, the rhyming of ideas rather than sounds as in English poetry. Five kinds of Hebrew poetic parallelism are described below. For a fuller description, see *Talk Thru the Bible*, pages 140-141.

1. **Synonymous Parallelism**—the second line reinforces the thought of the first line by using similar words or concepts.

Pride goes before destruction,
And a haughty spirit before stumbling

Proverbs 16:18

2. **Synthetic Parallelism**—the second line adds to or completes the idea of the first line.

A wicked man receives a bribe from the bosom
To pervert the ways of justice.

Proverbs 17:23

3. **Antithetic Parallelism**—the thought of the first line is contrasted in the second line.

A wise son makes a father glad,
But a foolish son is a grief to his mother.

Proverbs 10:1

4. **Statement and Comment**—the first line makes a statement while the second line provides an explanation.

The terror of a king is like the growling of a lion;
He who provokes him to anger forfeits his own life.

Proverbs 20:2

5. **Emblematic Parallelism**—the first line uses a figure of speech to illuminate the main point conveyed by the second line.

As a ring of gold in a swine's snout,
So is a beautiful woman who lacks discretion.

Proverbs 11:22

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Class 7 — Proverbs 1-15

Write an interpretation of each of the following difficult proverbs, as translated in the New American Standard Bible. List at least one application of the verse. If you are able, identify what type of poetic parallelism is being used.

Proverb	Type	Interpretation & Application
9:12 If you are wise, you are wise for yourself, And if you scoff, you alone will bear it.		
10:29 The way of the LORD is a stronghold to the upright, But ruin to the workers of iniquity.		
11:7 When a wicked man dies, his expectation will perish, And the hope of strong men perishes.		
11:31 If the righteous will be rewarded in the earth, How much more the wicked and the sinner!		
12:3 A man will not be established by wickedness, But the root of the righteous will not be moved.		
12:27 A slothful man does not roast his prey, But the precious possession of a man is diligence.		
13:8 The ransom of a man's life is his riches, But the poor hears no rebuke.		
14:4 Where no oxen are, the manger is clean, But much increase comes by the strength of the ox.		
15:11 Sheol and Abaddon lie open before the LORD, How much more the hearts of men!		

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Class 8 — Proverbs 16-31

Write an interpretation of each of the following difficult proverbs, as translated in the New American Standard Bible. List at least one application of the verse. If you are able, identify what type of poetic parallelism is being used.

Proverb	Type	Interpretation & Application
16:4 The LORD has made everything for its own purpose, Even the wicked for the day of evil.		
17:8 A bribe is a charm in the sight of its owner; Wherever he turns, he prospers.		
17:16 Why is there a price in the hand of a fool to buy wisdom, When he has no sense?		
18:1 He who separates himself seeks his own desire, He quarrels against all sound wisdom.		
20:12 The hearing ear and the seeing eye, The LORD has made both of them.		
22:13 The sluggard says, "There is a lion outside; I shall be slain in the streets!"		
25:8-10 Do not go out hastily to argue your case; Otherwise, what will you do in the end, When your neighbor puts you to shame? Argue your case with your neighbor, And do not reveal the secret of another, Lest he who hears it reproach you, And the evil report about you not pass away.		
25:19 Like a bad tooth and an unsteady foot Is confidence in a faithless man in time of trouble.		
25:21-22 If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat; And if he is thirsty, give him water to drink; For you will heap burning coals on his head, And the LORD will reward you.		

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Class 9 – Ecclesiastes

1. Who is the Preacher, the author of the book of Ecclesiastes (Ecclesiastes 1:1,12)?
2. Explain what we learn about the theme of Ecclesiastes from the first three verses of the book.
3. How can the Bible tell us in Proverbs 1:1-5 to attain wisdom for it is of great value, and then tell us in Ecclesiastes 1:16-18 that attaining wisdom just brings grief and pain?
4. List every occurrence of the statement "under the sun" in the book of Ecclesiastes. What does this tell you about the book as a whole?
5. List ten things that the Preacher says are vanity.

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Class 9 (cont.) – Ecclesiastes

6. List each of the Preacher's conclusions in the following six portions of Ecclesiastes:

Passage	Conclusions
2:24-26	
3:12-13	
3:22	
5:18-19	
8:15	
9:7-9	

7. After all is said and done, what is the Preacher's final conclusion (Ecclesiastes 12:13)? What reasons does he give for this conclusion (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14)?

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Class 9 (cont.) – Song of Solomon

Read the Song of Solomon.

1. Who are the two main characters and what is their relationship to each other?

2. Write out the following verses:

2:16 -

6:3 -

7:10 –

Can these verses help us understand the progression of a healthy relationship with the Lord? If so, how?

3. What is meant by the statement “For love is as strong as death” (8:6)?

4. Why do you think this book is in the Bible?

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Class 10 — Isaiah 1-23

1. Summarize Judah's sin against the Lord (1:1-15).
2. Describe Israel's future restoration to the Lord (2:1-4:6).
3. What is the main point of the parable of the vineyard (5:1-30)?
4. What was to be the purpose of Isaiah's ministry (6:1-13)?
5. In context, what is the purpose of the prophecy of Isaiah 7:14?
6. Isaiah 9:6-7 is often interpreted as being a reference to the Lord Jesus. In your opinion, from the context is this correct? Explain your answer.

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Class 10 (cont.) — Isaiah 1-23

Oracle Against (enter country)	List One Reason for the Coming Judgment	List One of the Specifics of What the Judgment Will Look Like
13:1-14:23 <i>Babylon</i>	<i>"strike the peoples in fury with unceasing strokes, which subdued the nations in anger with unrestrained persecution." (14:6)</i>	<i>"I will sweep it with the broom of destruction." (14:23)</i>
14:24-27		
14:28-32		
15:1-16:14		
17:1-14		
18:1-7		
19:1-20:6		
21:1-10		
21:11-12		
21:13-17		
22:1-25		
23:1-18		

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Class 11 — Isaiah 24-39

1. Does the prophesy of judgment in chapter 24 apply to Israel, another nation, or a group of nations?

2. List the non-figurative future prophesies concerning Israel found in Isaiah 27.

3. What lessons did you learn from King Hezekiah's confrontation with King Sennacherib (36-37)?

4. Was Hezekiah's bitter weeping an appropriate emotional response or an act of sin (38:3)?

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Class 13 — Isaiah 58-66

Break the following chapter into sections by topic. Then give a title to each section, placing it in the right-hand column.

Isaiah 59

- 1 Behold, the LORD'S hand is not so short That it cannot save; Neither is His ear so dull That it cannot hear.
- 2 But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, And your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He does not hear.
- 3 For your hands are defiled with blood, And your fingers with iniquity; Your lips have spoken falsehood, Your tongue mutters wickedness.
- 4 No one sues righteously and no one pleads honestly. They trust in confusion, and speak lies; They conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.
- 5 They hatch adders' eggs and weave the spider's web; He who eats of their eggs dies, And [from] that which is crushed a snake breaks forth.
- 6 Their webs will not become clothing, Nor will they cover themselves with their works; Their works are works of iniquity, And an act of violence is in their hands.
- 7 Their feet run to evil, And they hasten to shed innocent blood; Their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; Devastation and destruction are in their highways.
- 8 They do not know the way of peace, And there is no justice in their tracks; They have made their paths crooked; Whoever treads on them does not know peace.
- 9 Therefore, justice is far from us, And righteousness does not overtake us; We hope for light, but behold, darkness; For brightness, but we walk in gloom.
- 10 We grope along the wall like blind men, We grope like those who have no eyes; We stumble at midday as in the twilight, Among those who are vigorous we are like dead men.
- 11 All of us growl like bears, And moan sadly like doves; We hope for justice, but there is none, For salvation, but it is far from us.
- 12 For our transgressions are multiplied before Thee, And our sins testify against us; For our transgressions are with us, And we know our iniquities:
- 13 Transgressing and denying the LORD, And turning away from our God, Speaking oppression and revolt, Conceiving in and uttering from the heart lying words.
- 14 And justice is turned back, And righteousness stands far away; For truth has stumbled in the street, And uprightness cannot enter.
- 15 Yes, truth is lacking; And he who turns aside from evil makes himself a prey. Now the LORD saw, And it was displeasing in His sight that there was no justice.
- 16 And He saw that there was no man, And was astonished that there was no one to intercede; Then His own arm brought salvation to Him; And His righteousness upheld Him.
- 17 And He put on righteousness like a breastplate, And a helmet of salvation on His head; And He put on garments of vengeance for clothing, And wrapped Himself with zeal as a mantle.
- 18 According to their deeds, so He will repay, Wrath to His adversaries, recompense to His enemies; To the coastlands He will make recompense.
- 19 So they will fear the name of the LORD from the west And His glory from the rising of the sun, For He will come like a rushing stream, Which the wind of the LORD drives.
- 20 "And a Redeemer will come to Zion, And to those who turn from transgression in Jacob," declares the LORD.
- 21 "And as for Me, this is My covenant with them," says the LORD: " My Spirit which is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your offspring, nor from the mouth of your offspring's offspring, "says the LORD," from now and forever. "