

Worship & Lament

Psalms 42-89

Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

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| 1. Psalms 42-49 | 2. Psalms 50-57 |
| 3. Psalms 58-65 | 4. Psalms 66-73 |
| 5. Psalms 74-81 | 6. Psalms 82-89 |

MAIN POINTS

- These psalms direct longing fear betrayal confession doubt and unresolved grief toward God rather than forcing a quick resolution (Psalms 42:1-11; 55:1-23; 73:1-28; 88:1-18)
- God is refuge rock salvation judge and King so wealth rank and human power are inadequate objects of trust (Psalms 46:1-11; 49:5-20; 62:1-12)
- Thanksgiving obedience justice and a contrite heart expose any separation between public worship and inward truth (Psalms 50:7-23; 51:16-19; 82:1-8)
- Historical memory and covenant prayer form later generations to hope obey and lament faithfully in crisis (Psalms 72:1-20; 78:1-72; 89:1-52)

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. Psalm 50 rejects the idea that God needs Israel's offerings yet still commands thanksgiving and fulfilled vows. What kind of worship does the psalm seek?

Psalm 50:7-23

2. Psalm 73 changes after the speaker enters God's sanctuary. What becomes clearer and what does he value by the end?

Psalm 73:17-28

3. Psalm 73 begins with envy over wicked prosperity, changes in God's sanctuary, and ends with God as the speaker's strength and portion (Psalm 73:2-28). Where has comparison distorted your judgment and what truth from the psalm could reorder your desires?

Psalm 73:2-28

MEMORY VERSE / Psalm 84:10

The speaker longs for the LORD's courts and values one day there above a thousand in the tents of wickedness (Psalm 84:1-12).

WEB

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

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Waymark 46 / Group

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

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ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER
