

Knowing Jesus in the Psalms

Conclusion!

Psalm 1

Blessed is the man

Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly,

Nor stands in the path of sinners,

Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;

But his delight is in the law of the LORD,

And in His law he meditates day and night.

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,

But the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Psalm 1

- God breathed, written in poetry
- Personal name of God: YHWH – Jehovah – the LORD
- Speak about:
 - Who God is
 - What He has done
 - What He *will* do...

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Psalm 2 – Jesus, the Son of God

He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; the LORD shall hold them in derision.

Then He shall speak to them in His wrath,

And distress them in His deep displeasure:

“Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion.”

*“I will declare the decree: the LORD has said to Me,
‘You are My Son, today I have begotten You.*

Psalm 2

- Jesus is the Son of God
 - Acts 13:33
 - Hebrews 1:5
 - Hebrews 5:5
- “This is My beloved Son...”
 - Matthew 3:17 / Mark 1:11 / Luke 3:22
 - Matthew 17:5 / Mark 9:7 / Luke 9:35

Psalm 22 – The Saviour on the Cross

*My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?
Why are You so far from helping Me,
And from the words of My groaning?
O My God, I cry in the daytime, but You do not hear;
And in the night season, and am not silent.*

vv1-2

Psalm 22

*But I am a worm, and no man;
A reproach of men, and despised by the people.
All those who see Me ridicule Me;
They shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying,
“He trusted in the Lord, let Him rescue Him;
Let Him deliver Him, since He delights in Him!”*

vv6-8

Psalm 22

*I am poured out like water,
And all My bones are out of joint;
My heart is like wax;
It has melted within Me.
My strength is dried up like a potsherd,
And My tongue clings to My jaws;
You have brought Me to the dust of death.
For dogs have surrounded Me;
The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me.
They pierced My hands and My feet;*

vv14-16

Psalm 22

- God prophesied that Jesus would die
- Death of the Son of God was agony
 - Separated
 - Abandoned
 - Despised
 - Broken
- This is what SIN has done

Psalm 16 – The Resurrected Lord

*Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices;
My flesh also will rest in hope.
For You will not leave my soul in Sheol,
Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.
You will show me the path of life;
In Your presence is fullness of joy;
At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

Psalm 16:9-11

Psalm 16

“Jesus of Nazareth...you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death...whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it.”

“...This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God...”

“... Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.”

Acts 2

Psalm 16

We have HOPE because God is...

- giver and sustainer of life
- conquerer of death
- holder of eternal life and joy

Which He proved by raising Jesus from the dead!

Psalm 8 – Power and Authority

*O LORD, our Lord,
How excellent is Your name in all the earth,
Who have set Your glory above the heavens!
Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants
You have ordained strength,
Because of Your enemies,
That You may silence the enemy and the avenger.*

...

*You have made him to have dominion over the works
of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet,*

Psalm 8

*For since by man came death, by Man also came the
resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even
so in Christ all shall be made alive....*

*For He must reign till He has put all enemies under
His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is
death. For*

“He has put all things under His feet.”

1 Corinthians 15:21-27

Psalm 8

- Jesus is King – all things are under Him
 - 1 Corinthians 15:27
 - Ephesians 1:22
 - Hebrews 2:8
- This includes DEATH. It is subject to Jesus.

Psalm 110 – Our High Priest

*The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at My right hand,
Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.”*

*The Lord has sworn
And will not relent,
“You are a priest forever
According to the order of Melchizedek.”*

Psalm 110

- Acts 2:34-35
- Hebrews 1:13
- Hebrews 5:5-6, 6:20, 7:17-21

Psalm 110

Also there were many priests, because they were prevented by death from continuing. But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

Hebrews 2:23-25

Psalm 110

For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.

Hebrews 2:26-27

Psalm 40 – Serving God

*Sacrifice and offering You did not desire;
My ears You have opened.
Burnt offering and sin offering You did not require.
Then I said,
"Behold, I come;
In the scroll of the book it is written of me.
I delight to do Your will, O my God,
And Your law is within my heart."*

vv6-8

Psalm 40

Therefore, when He came into the world, He said:
"Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you have prepared for me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin you had no pleasure. Then I said, 'behold, I have come— in the volume of the book it is written of me— to do your will, O God.' "

Previously saying, *"Sacrifice and offering, burnt offerings, and offerings for sin you did not desire, nor had pleasure in them"* (which are offered according to the law), then He said, *"Behold, I have come to do your will, O God."*

He takes away the **first** that He may establish the **second**.
By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Hebrews 10:5-10

Psalm 40

- Jesus was the perfect sacrifice
- We serve God by delighting to do His will

Psalm 118 – The Foundation of the Church

*The stone which the builders rejected
Has become the chief cornerstone.
This was the LORD's doing;
It is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day the LORD has made;
We will rejoice and be glad in it.*

v22-24

Psalm 118

*Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them,
"Rulers of the people and elders of Israel: If we this
day are judged for a good deed done to a helpless
man, by what means he has been made well, let it be
known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that
by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you
crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him
this man stands here before you whole.*

Acts 4:8-10

Psalm 118

This is the 'stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.' Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Acts 4:11-12

Psalm 45 – The Church: bride of the King

You are fairer than the sons of men; grace is poured upon Your lips; therefore God has blessed You forever.

Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One, with Your glory and Your majesty.

And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and righteousness; and Your right hand shall teach You awesome things.

Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the King's enemies; the peoples fall under You.

Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of Your kingdom.

Psalm 45

*Listen, O daughter, consider and incline your ear;
forget your own people also, and your father's house;
so the King will greatly desire your beauty; because
He is your Lord, worship Him.*

vv10-11

Psalm 45

“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.”

Ephesian 5:25–27

Psalm 45

- The Church is the bride of Christ
- Our desire should be for Christ
- Jesus desires the sanctification of the Church

Psalm 23 – Jesus the Good Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside the still waters.

He restores my soul;

He leads me in the paths of righteousness

For His name's sake.

Psalm 23

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil;

For You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

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- We have a Saviour who has a personal interest in us
- Live without fear

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