The Message of the Book of Psalms (Psalms 1-150)

When struggles persist and God seems far off, go back to basics and maintain focus on God's heavenly King.

1. God's King sits enthroned.

Book 1: Psalms 1-41 Psalm 1-2 and Psalm 41

Orphan Psalms: 1, 2, 10, and 33

Struggle Ensues: 6:3-4, 13:1-2, 35:17 Closing: Benediction, Amen and Amen

2. Therefore, God's plan seems to move ahead.

Book 2: Psalms 42-72

Korah: 42-49 Asaph: 50

David: 51-65, 68-70

Solomon: 72

Psalm 72: Power Transferred

No "How long?"

Closing: Benediction, Amen and Amen

David's Prayers Are Ended.

3. But your struggles continue and God seems far off.

Book 3: Psalms 73-89 Asaph: Psalms 73-83 Korah: Psalms 84, 85, 87

Heman: Psalm 88 Ethan: Psalm 89

Struggle: 74:10, 79:5, 80:4, 89:46 Closing: Benediction, Amen and Amen Promises Seem Lost: Psalm 89:46-51

4. When God seems far off, you go back to basics.

Book 4: Psalms 90-106
Back to Basics: Psalm 90
Refuge Psalms: Psalm 90-92
The Divine King: Psalms 93-97
Benediction, "Praise the Lord"

5. And you maintain focus on God's heavenly King.

Book 5: Psalms 107-150 Christ is King: Psalm 110

Egyptian Hallel: Psalms 111-118 Torah: Psalm 119 (Psalm 1)

Psalms of Ascent: Psalms 120-134 Great Hallel: Psalms 146-150

"Praise the Lord"