

An Introduction to the Psalms

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VIII. Psalms and the New Testament

A. There are **116 direct quotations** from the Psalms in the New Testament.

B. Many Messianic prophecies from the Psalms find their fulfillment in the New Testament.

1. The Son of God (2:7; Matthew 3:17).
2. Praised by children (8:2; Matthew 21:15-16).
3. Ruler of all (8:6; Hebrews 2:8).
4. Rises from death (16:10; Matthew 28:7; Acts 2).
5. Forsaken by God (22:1; Matthew 27:46).
6. Derided by enemies (22:7-8; Luke 23:35).

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7. Hands and feet pierced (22:16; John 20:27).
8. Lots cast for clothes (22:18; Matthew 27:35-36).
9. Bones unbroken (34:20; John 19:32-33, 36).
10. Accused by false witnesses (35:11; Mark 14:57).
11. Hated without cause (35:19; John 15:25).
12. Delights in God's will (40:7-8; Hebrews 10:7).
13. Betrayed by a friend (41:9; Luke 22:47).

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14. The eternal King (45:6; Hebrews 1:8).
15. Ascends to heaven (68:18; Acts 1:9-11).
16. Zealous for God's house (69:9; John 2:17).
17. Given vinegar and gall (69:21; Matthew 27:34).
18. Prays for enemies (109:4; Luke 23:34).
19. His betrayer replaced (109:8; Acts 1:20).

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20. Rules over His enemies (110:1; Matthew 22:44).
21. A priest forever (110:4; Hebrews 5:6).
22. The chief stone of God's building (118:22; Matthew 21:42).
23. Comes in the name of the Lord (118:26; Matthew 21:9).

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“Blessed Is The Man”

Psalms 1

Outline of Psalms 1:1-6

- The blessedness of the righteous man.
 - His character. 1:1-2
 - His Prosperity. 1:3
- The condition of the unrighteous.
 - Nothing like the righteous. 1:4
 - No good end. 1:5
- The final contrast between the two “ways.”
 - The righteous. 1:6
 - The unrighteous. 1:6

Choices

- Moses said, *“I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that I have set before thee life and death, the blessing and the curse: therefore choose life, that thou mayest live, thou and thy seed; to love Jehovah thy God, to obey his voice, and to cleave unto him; for he is thy life, and the length of thy days; that thou mayest dwell in the land which Jehovah swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”* (Deuteronomy 30:19-20; cf. Joshua 24:15; 1 Kings 18:21; Jeremiah 21:8-9).

Choices

- And Jesus said, *“Enter ye in by the narrow gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many are they that enter in thereby. For narrow is the gate, and straitened the way, that leadeth unto life, and few are they that find it.”* (Matthew 7:13-14; cf. Luke 13:24-27).

Blessedness Of The Righteous

Character of the **blessed** man. 1:1-2

“It does not mean ‘fortunate’ or ‘lucky’ (blessedness does not depend on fortune or luck – medieval English ‘hap’ – but on God’s will: Pss. 33:12; 65:4).”

(Psalms: By Evan and Marie Blackmore, Truth Commentary Series, p. 100-101)

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“Nor does it mean ‘cheerful.’ It is describing the man’s condition, not his feelings. Jesus was ‘*a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief*’ (Isa. 53:3), and those who follow him faithfully will likewise have ‘great heaviness and continual sorrow in [their] heart,’ especially when they contemplate those who are still outside Christ (Rom. 9:2).”

(Psalms: By Evan and Marie Blackmore, Truth Commentary Series, p. 100-101)

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Character of the **blessed** man. 1:1-2

“The man described here is blessed or ‘happy,’ not in the sense that he is lucky or that he is cheerful, **but in the sense that he is prospering** (‘whatsoever he doeth shall prosper,’ v. 3).”

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- In other words, he is abundantly blessed. (cf. Mark 10:29-30)

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Character of the **blessed** man. 1:1-2

Negative: cf. Deuteronomy 6:6-9

■ ***“walketh not in the counsel of the wicked”***

- Going along with the crowd. *“He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed”* (Proverbs 13:20).

Blessedness Of The Righteous

Character of the **blessed** man. 1:1-2

Negative: cf. Deuteronomy 6:6-9

■ ***“nor standeth in the way of sinners”***

- Taking a stand with the crowd. *“If sinners entice thee... walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path”* (Proverbs 1:10, 15; 4:14).