

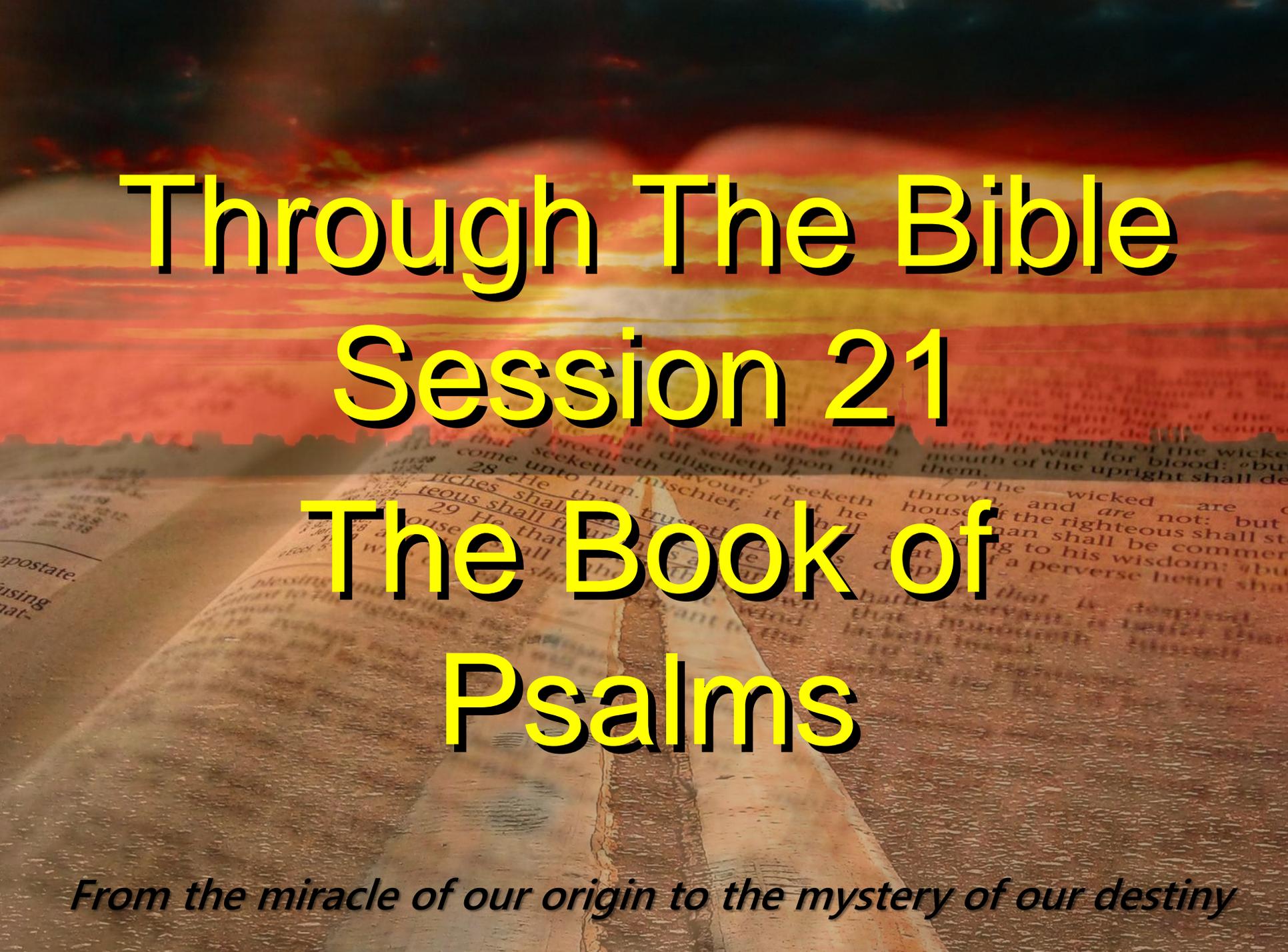
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Simply teaching the Word simply

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Through The Bible

Session 21

The Book of Psalms

From the miracle of our origin to the mystery of our destiny

Old Testament

Torah - 5

Genesis
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In the land

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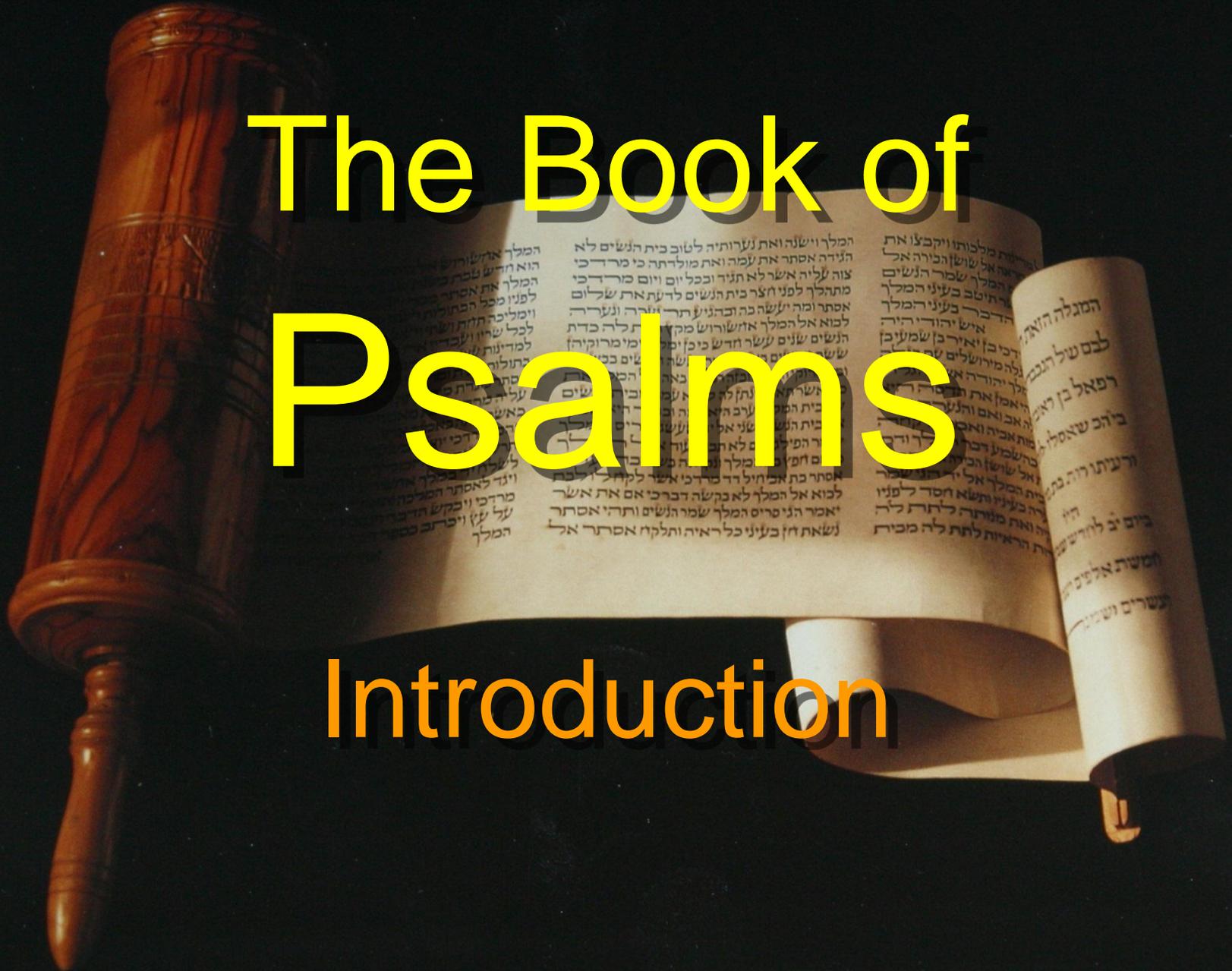
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Micah
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Habakkuk
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Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

The Book of

Psalms

Introduction



Psalms

Israel's Hymnal

- Poetry laced with strong theology
- Hebrew, *Tehillim*: “Praises”
 - 55 addressed to “the chief musician”
- Greek:
 - *psalmoi*, “a poem to be sung to a stringed instrument”
 - *psaltar*, for harp or stringed instrument

The Nature of Poetry

- **Phonetic Design**

- Rhyme – the parallelism of sound
- Rhythm – the parallelism of time

- **Conceptual Design**

- The parallelism of ideas
 - Comparative; to illuminate
 - Contrastive; antithetic
 - Completive; synthetic
- *Selah* = a pause to connect ideas

Selah

It is commonly assumed that this refers to musical instructions; however:

- *selah* is to connect subject matter, not music
- It connects the end of one strophe with the beginning of the next; it is the connecting of the two subjects together
- Sometimes synthetic; sometimes antithetic
- *Concerned with truth, not tunes*

Parallelism

- **Synonymous parallelism**
 - the second line restates the first
 - *LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?* Ps. 15:1

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- **Antithetic parallelism**
 - is just the opposite: the lines are in contrast to each other
 - *For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.*

Ps. 37:9

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- **Antithetic parallelism**
 - is just the opposite: the lines are in contrast to each other
- **Synthetic parallelism**
 - each successive line expands the meaning:
 - *The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.*
The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

Ps 19:8,9

Sources

73	David
12	Asaph, Head of David's choir
12	Sons of Korah
2	Solomon
1	Heman, the Ezrahite
1	Ethan, the Ezrahite
1	Moses
<u>48</u>	Anonymous
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David's Psalms

- Psalms of David's early life (14)
7, 11, 12, 13, 17, 22, 23, 34, 35, 52, 54, 56, 57, 59
- Psalms of the earlier part of his reign (19)
8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 26, 29, 36, 58, 60, 68, 101, 108, 110
- Psalms from the time of his great sin to his flight from Jerusalem (10)
5, 6, 32, 38, 39, 40, 41, 51, 55, 64
- Psalms of the exile (10)
3, 4, 27, 28, 31, 61, 63, 69, 70, 143
- Psalms of the last period of his reign (3)
37, 103, 139

A “Pentateuch” of Psalms

Book I	1 - 41
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Inscriptions

34 Without inscriptions

52 Simple Inscriptions

14 Historical Inscriptions

4 Inscription denoting purpose

15 “Songs of Degrees”

31 Special inscriptions

150

Some Group Labels

- “Shepherd Psalms” 22 - 24
- “Kingdom Psalms” 46 - 48
- “Hallelujah Psalms” 111 – 113
146 - 150
- “Songs of Ascent” 120 - 134
- “Royal Psalms” 94 - 99
- “Pauline Psalms” 32, 51, 130, 143

Other Psalm Groupings

- Penitential Psalms 6, 32,38, 39, 51,102,143
 - Psalms of repentance
- Imprecatory Psalms 35, 57, 59, 69, 83, 109, 137, et al
 - Psalms crying out to God to judge the wicked
- Acrostic Psalms 9, 25, 34, 37, 111, 112, 119, 145
 - Psalms intentionally designed to aid memorization

Example: Psalm 119:

22 sections (for each Hebrew letter)

Each section of 16 lines in 8 couplets,

Each couplet beginning with same letter of the Hebrew alphabet

Penitential Psalms

6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, 143

- Psalms of repentance & suffering under God's discipline
- Our choices Heb 12
 - Despise it
 - Resist it
 - Collapse under it
 - Accept it and submitand pray that the lessons not be wasted

Penitential Psalms

- Against Wrath Psalm 6
- Against Pride Psalm 32
- Against Gluttony Psalm 38
- Against Impurity Psalm 51
- Against Covetousness Psalm 102
- Against Envy Psalm 130
- Against Carelessness Psalm 143

Imprecatory Psalms

6, 12, 35, 37, 58,59, 69, 79,83, 109, 139, 140

- Psalms crying out to God to judge the wicked
- Enemies were rebels against the Lord
- The Covenant People were protected under conditions of obedience

Lev 26, Deut 27-29; Cf. Gen 12:2,3

- A battle between good and evil has been going on since Gen 3
 - And we can't remain neutral in this battle

Special Terms

- *Aiieleth-Shahar* The hind of the morning; dawn
- *Alamot* The maidens' choir
- *Al-Tashchith* Destroy not
- *Gittith* Winepresses (Autumn)
- *Jeduthun* Praise-giver
(1 of 3 directors of worship)
- *Jonath-Elem-Rechokim* Dove of distant woods
(of David in flight)
- *Mahalath* The Great Dancing

Special Terms

- *Maschi* Instruction; understanding
- *Michtam* Engraven;
(emphasized; permanent)
- *Muth-labbeyn* Death of the Champion
- *Negionoath* Stringed Instruments
- *Nehiloath* Inheritances
- *Sheminith* 8th group or division
- *Shiggaion* A crying aloud (grief or joy)
- *Shoshannim* Lilies (Springtime)

“Chewing the cud”

- *Meditate*: pictures a cow chewing her cud:
 - Meditation is to the soul what “digestion” is to the body
- We should have a delight and joy in the Word of God
 - Cf. Jer 15:16, Eze 3:3, & Rev 10:9
- The Bible is the most thrilling Book. It’s not a burden; it is not boring!

Levels of Meaning in Psalms

1. The *primary* interpretation
 - The personal experience of David
2. The *direct* application to the godly remnant in the nation of Israel during the Great Tribulation
3. There is also a *general application* to God's people everywhere at any time in the history of the world
 - *If we look at the psalms from this point of view, they will become more meaningful to us*

Christ in the Psalms

- Jesus said that the psalms spoke about Him

Luke 24:44

Ps. 2	The Coming King	Cf. Acts 4:25,26; 13:33
Ps. 22	The Crucified Savior	
Ps. 23	The Shepherd	Cf. John 10
Ps. 40:6–8	The Sacrifice	Cf. Heb. 10:1–10
Ps. 110	The High Priest	Cf. Heb. 7:17–21
Ps. 118:22,23	The Stone	Cf. Matt. 21:42

The Messianic Psalms

- The Book of Psalms is quoted in the NT more than any other book in OT
- Constitute irrefutable testimony to the Divine inspiration of the Scriptures
- Psalm 2, 8, 16, 22, 23, 24, 40, 41, 45, 68, 69, 87, 89, 102, 110, 118, et al

Messianic Details

2, 8, 16, 22, 23, 24, 40, 41, 45, 68, 69, 87, 89, 102, 110, 118, et al

- His Person

- Son of God 2:7; 45:6,7; 102:25,27
- Son of Man 8:4-6; etc
- Son of David 139:3,4,27,29

- His Offices

- Prophet 22:22, 25; 40:9,10
- Priest 110:4
- King 2; 24; 72; etc

Messianic Profiles in Psalms

- To speak in parables 78:2
- Will calm the storm 89:10
- To be despised 2:6; 69:19-22
- To be rejected 118:22
- To be mocked 22:7-8; 89:51-52

Messianic Profiles in Psalms

- To be whipped 129:3
- To be derided 69:8, 20
- Impaled on a cross 22:ff
 - Thirsty 22:16
 - Given wine mixed with gall 69:20-22
 - Lots cast for his garments 22:18-19
 - Not a bone to be broken 34:21

Messianic Profiles in Psalms

- To rise from the dead 16:10
- To Ascend to heaven 68:19
- At the right hand of God 110:1; 80:17
- Is the High Priest 110:4
- Will judge the nations 89:3-5
- Reign to be eternal 89:35-37

Messianic Profiles in Psalms

- Is the Son of God 2:7
- Is the Son of David 110:1;
(Matt 22:42-45)
- People to sing Hosanna to him
118:25-26
- Blessed forever 45:1-4, 8, 18
- Will come in glory in last days
102:16-23

The Coming Kingdom

- The **Coming** of the Kingdom Psalm 46
– thru Tribulation
- The **Range** of the Kingdom Psalm 47
– “all the earth”
- The **Center** of the Kingdom Psalm 48
– “Zion”

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Book I:

The Genesis Section

Psalms 1 - 41

Genesis Section

Psalms 1–41

- Man in View:
in a state of blessedness, fall, and recovery
- Perfect Man (Last Adam) **Psalm 1**
- Rebellious Man **Psalm 2**
- Perfect Man Rejected **Psalm 3**
- Conflict between Seed of Woman and Serpent **Psalm 4**
- Perfect Man in Midst of Enemies **Psalm 5**

Genesis Section

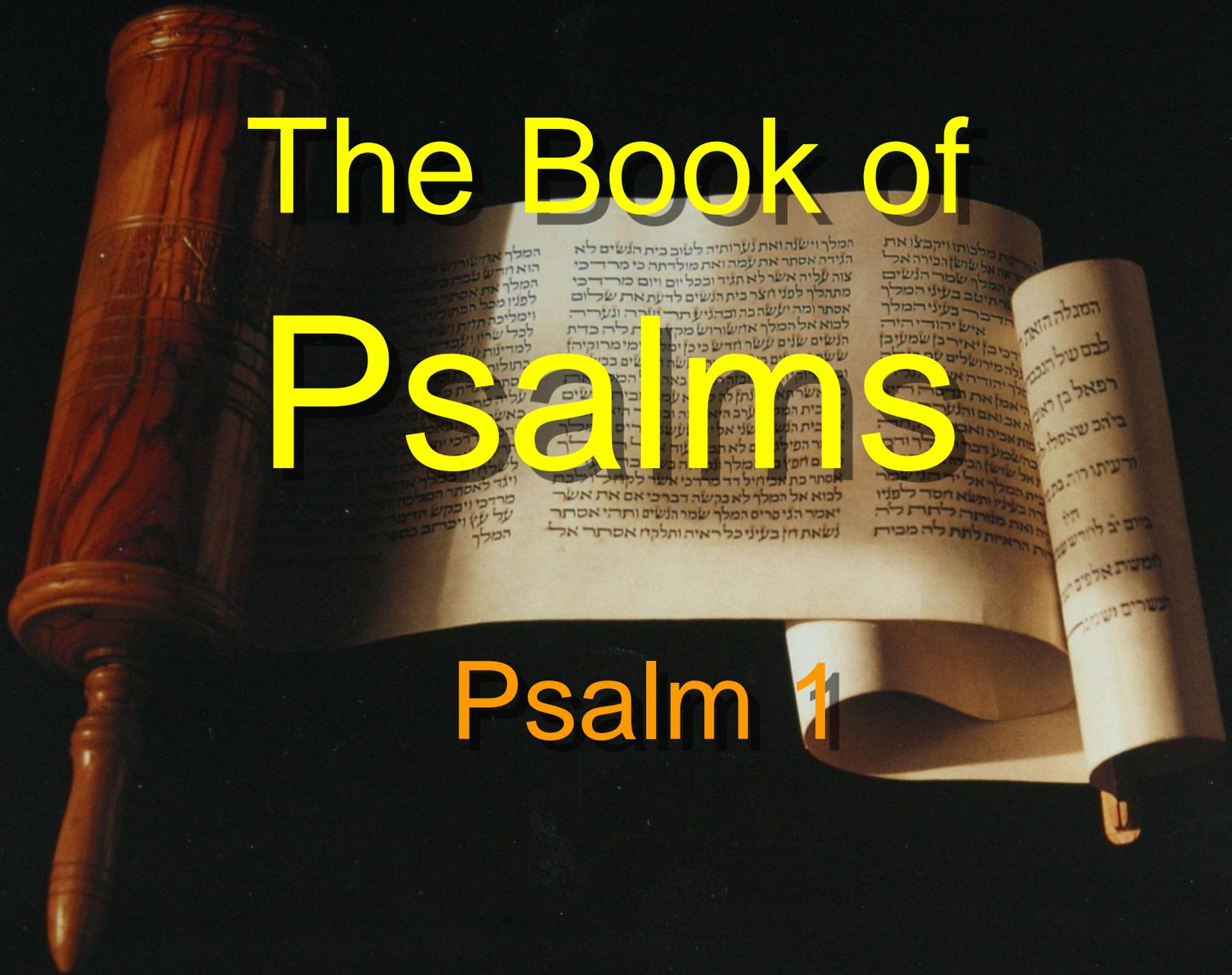
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- Perfect Man in Midst of Chastisement
(Bruising Heel) **Psalm 6**
- Perfect Man in Midst of False Witnesses
Psalm 7
- Repair of Man Comes through Man
(Bruising Head) **Psalm 8**
- Enemy and Antichrist Conflict;
Final Deliverance **Psalms 9–15**
- Christ in Midst of His People Sanctifying
Them to God **Psalms 16–41**

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Psalm 1



I Blessed is the man that ...

Psalm 1:1

- Plurality of blessings (אֲשֶׁר) 'esher'
- Not an exclusive offer
- Available to all mankind (אִישׁ,) 'iysh'
- Conditional
- Presents a choice
- Each individual must choose

Promised Blessings

- There are at least 70 specific blessings recorded in the scripture
- All are there for the taking!
- Note:
- They are *conditional!*
- Require adherence to instructions

*I Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of
the ungodly,*

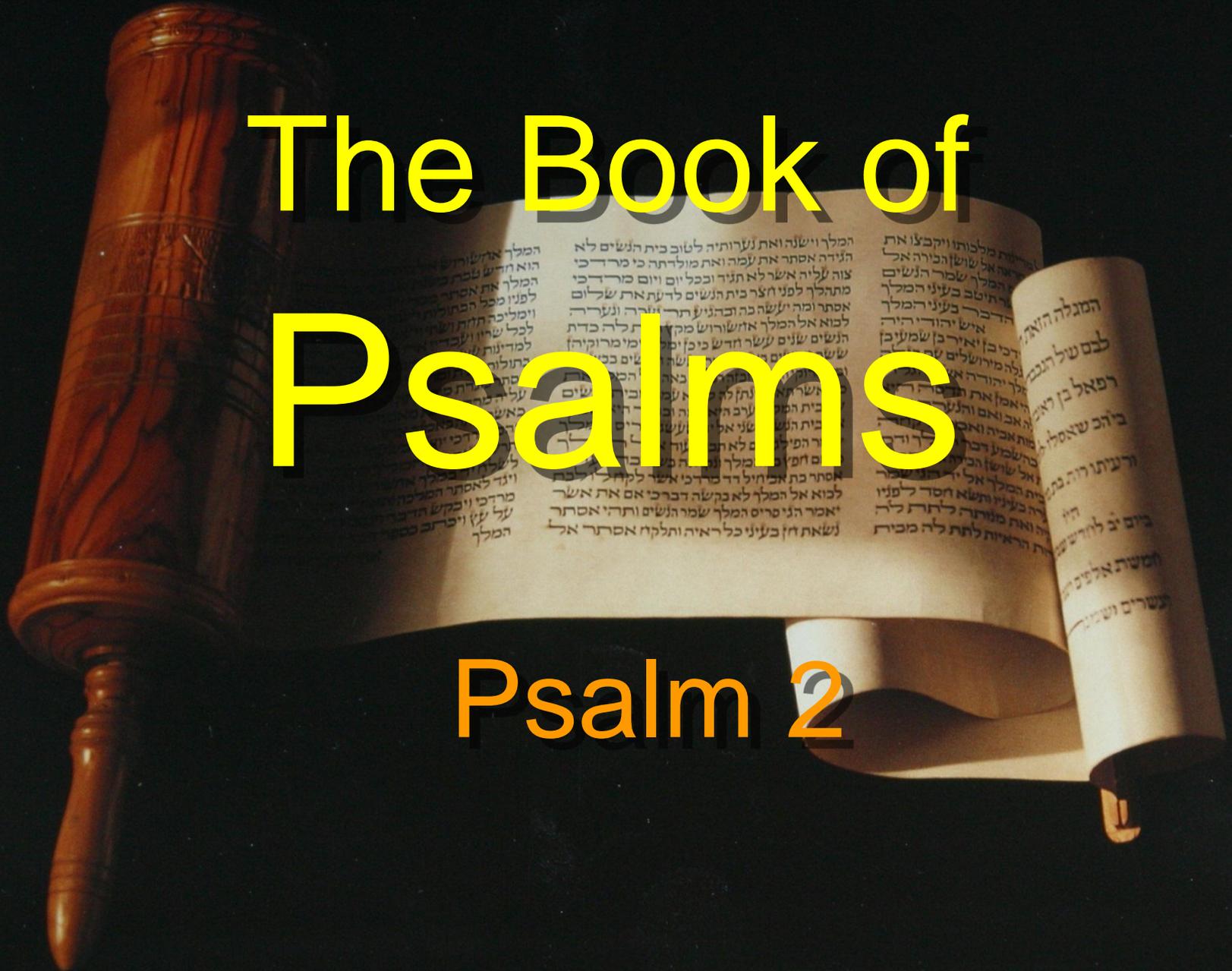
Psalm 1:1

- Who are the ungodly?
- Everyone who is not Godly!
- We must not listen to their counsel
 - The root of the world's wisdom is the father of lies

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Psalm 2



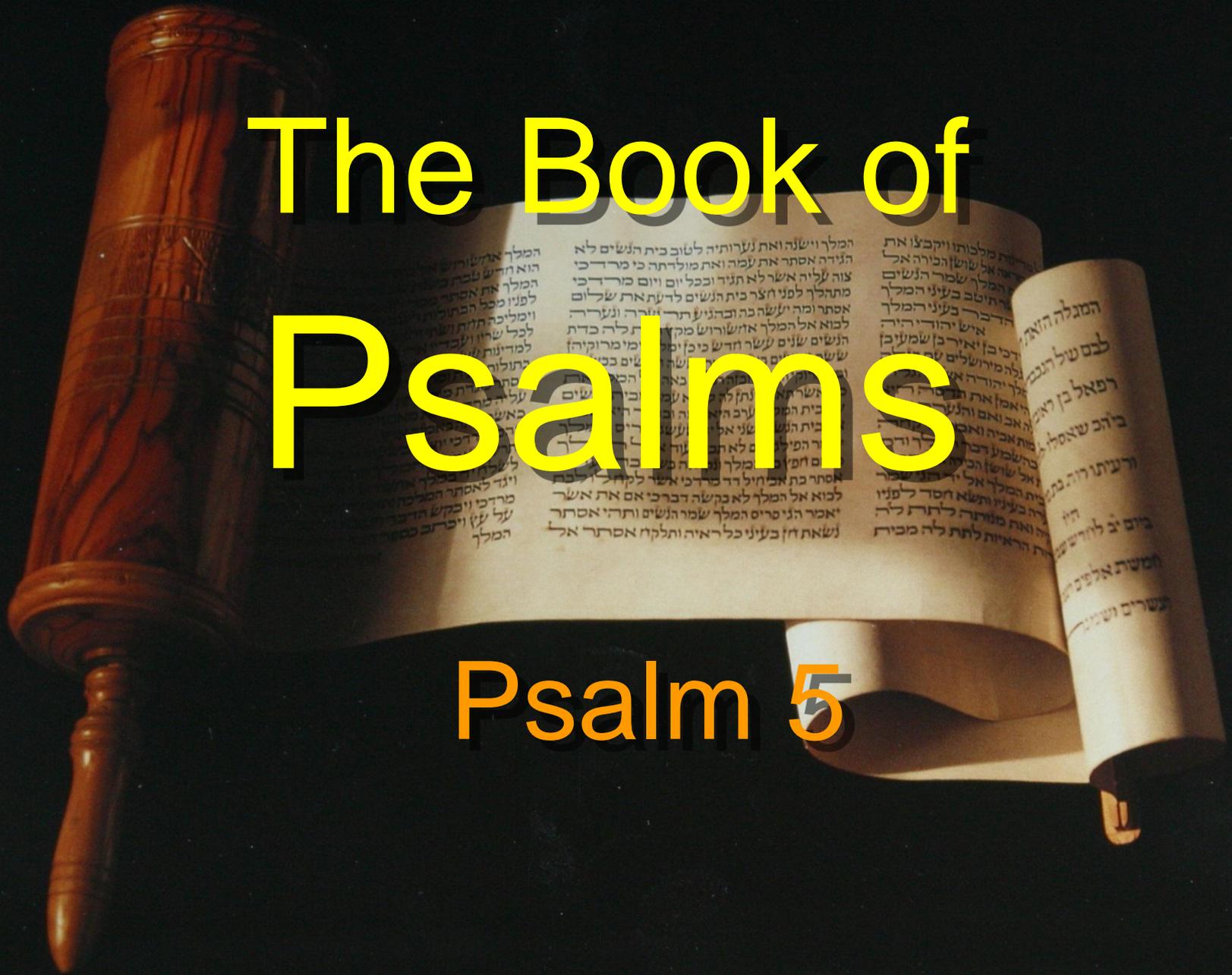
Psalm 2

- The Voice of the Nations 2:1-3
- The Voice of the Father 2:4-6
- The Voice of the Son 2:7-9
- The Voice of the Spirit 2:10-12
 - The Trinity are seen at work throughout Scripture

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Psalm 5



<To the chief Musician upon Nehiloth, A
Psalm of David.>

Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my
meditation.

Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King,
and my God: for unto thee will I pray.

My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O
LORD; in the morning will I **direct** my
prayer unto thee, and will look up.

Preparation

Heb: *arak* “Direct”: to arrange, set or put or lay in order, prepare, order, ordain, handle, furnish

– Arranging sacrifices on the altar **Lev 1:8**

– Arranging wood on an altar **Gen 22:9**

– Placing shewbread in Tabernacle **Lev 24:8**

– Setting meal before guests **Ps 23:5**

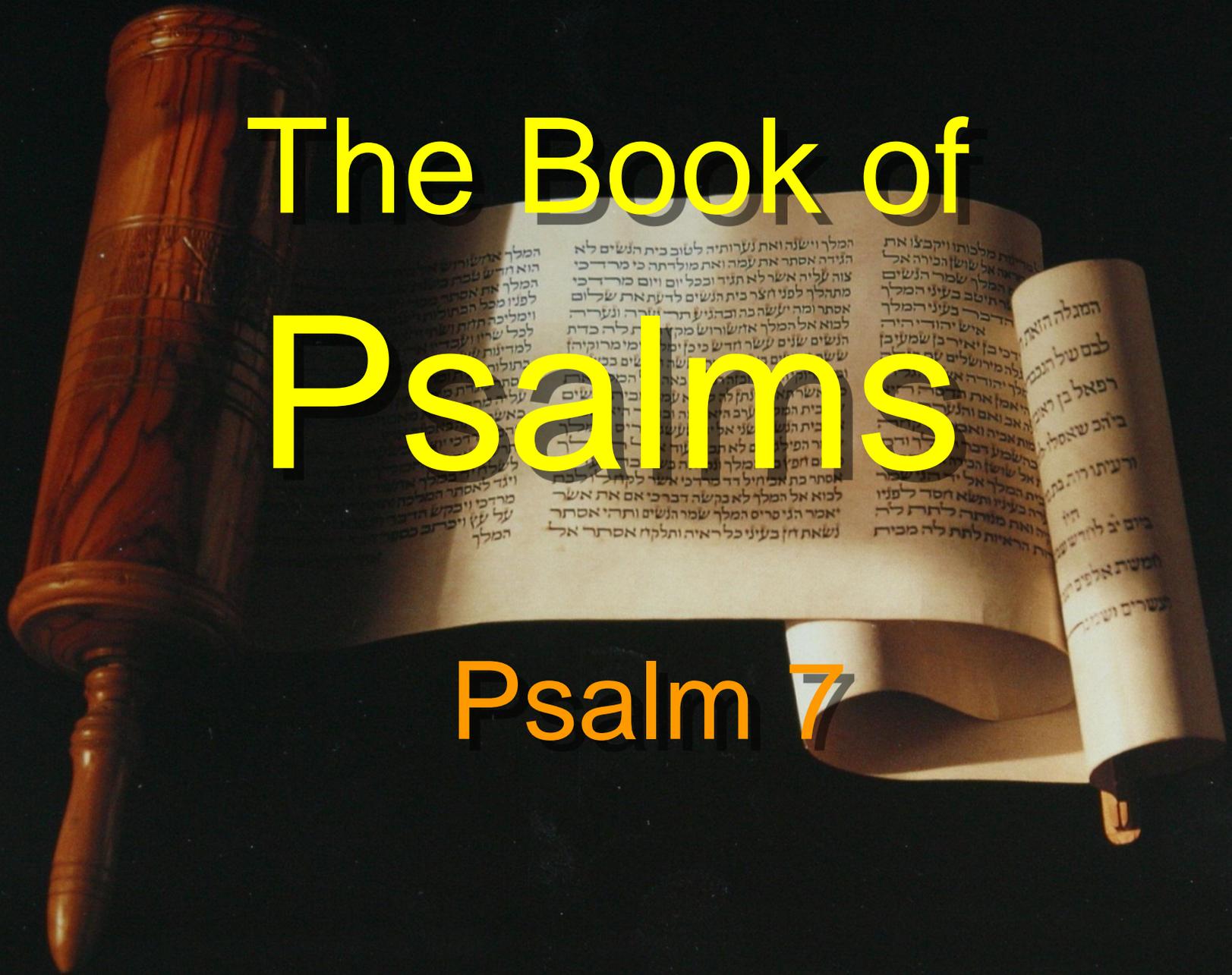
– A soldier ready to receive orders

- When you are to meet a top person, you don't go unprepared! Nor should we when we come before the Throne of God

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Psalm 7



He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into
the ditch *which* he made.

His mischief shall return upon his own head,
and his violent dealing shall come down upon
his own pate.

Psalm 7:15-16

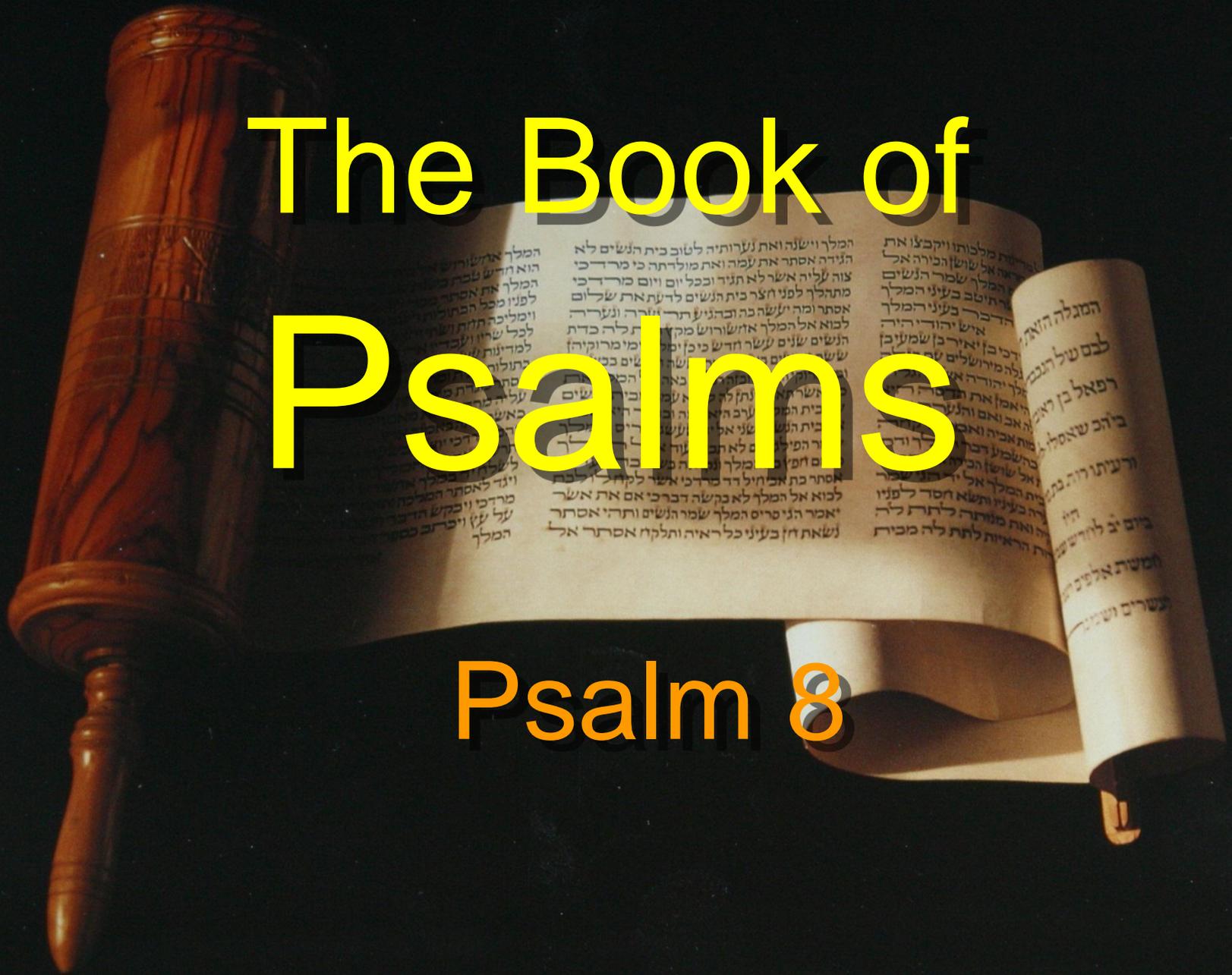
Retributive Justice

- Saul wanted to kill David
 - *He died by his own sword*
- Pharaoh ordered male babies drowned in the Nile
 - *His army drowned in the Red Sea*
- Haman built gallows to hang Mordecai
 - *Haman himself was hung on it*

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Psalm 8



Thou madest him to have dominion over the
works of thy hands; thou hast put all *things*
under his feet:

All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the
field;

The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea,
and *whatsoever* passeth through
the paths of the seas.

Matthew Fontaine Maury

“Paths in the seas”?

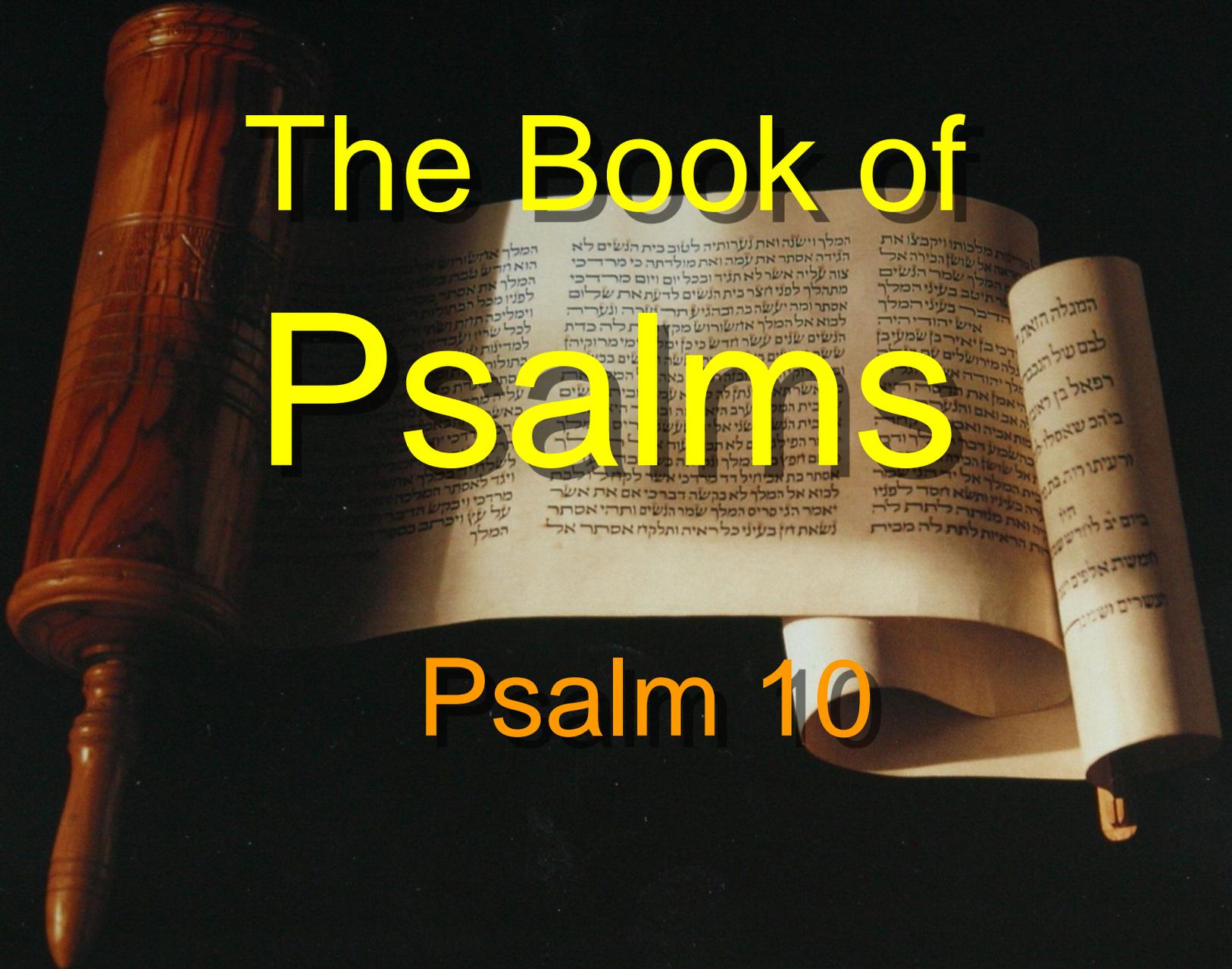
Psa 8:8; Isa 43:16

- 1806 Born in Spotsylvania, Virginia
- 1825 Joined Navy as midshipman
- 1842 In charge: Depot of Charts and Instruments
- 1848 Published maps of main wind fields of Earth
- Recognized internationally as the “Father of Oceanography.”

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Psalm 110



Beliefs of the Wicked

1. “There is no God” 10:2-4
2. “I shall not be moved” 10:5-7
3. “God doesn’t see me” 10:8-11
4. “God will not judge me” 10:12-13

Four Rebuttals

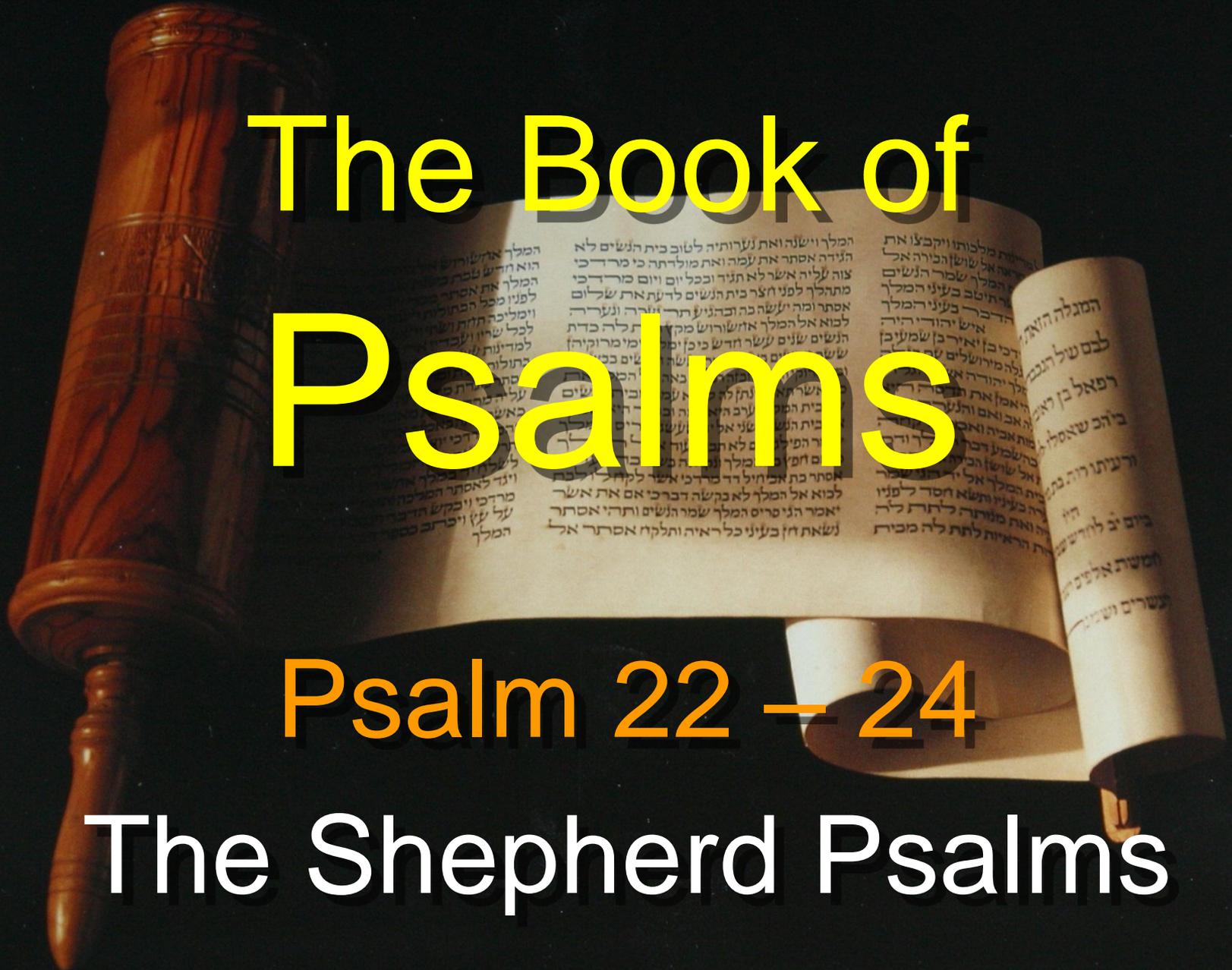
1. God sees what is going on 10:14
2. God Judges sin 10:15
3. God is King 10:16
4. God defends His people 10:17

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Psalm 22 – 24

The Shepherd Psalms



The Shepherd Psalms

- **The Suffering Savior**
 - The Good Shepherd
 - **The Living Shepherd**
 - The Great Shepherd
 - **The Exalted Sovereign**
 - The Chief Shepherd
- Psalm 22**
John 10:1-18
- Psalm 23**
Hebrews 13:20,21
- Psalm 24**
1 Peter 5:4

Shepherds

- Abel, the first martyr Gen 4:2
- Moses spent 40 years caring for his father-in-law's sheep
- David served his father as a shepherd
- God as a shepherd: Gen 48:15; 49:24; Psa 80:1; 95:7; 100:3; Isa 40:11; 49:10; Jer 31:10; Eze 34:11-15; Matt 10:6; 15:24; Mark 6:34.
- Messiah as a shepherd: Eze 14:16,23; Mic 5:4; Zech 13:7; Matt 2:6; 26:3; Mark 14:27; John 10

Sheep

- Defenseless
- Prone to get lost
- Need almost constant care
- You can't drive them like cattle:
they must be led!
- Known by name

John 10:1-5

The Great Shepherd

- The Great Shepherd who cares and equips us Heb 13:20,21
- Great High Priest who ever lives to make intercession for us Heb 7:25
- He died for the sheep 1 Pet 1:18,19
- Father gave them to Him John 17:12
- And He's lost none! John 18:9

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Psalm 25 – 39

The Devotional Psalms

Psalms 25 - 39

- The preceding psalms have been dramatic and sensational
- The next 15 are more personal, quiet and intimate
 - Less familiar, they have much to say to us
 - Applicable to the past, present and future

A Devotional Paradigm

- **Past**
 - David's predicament and motives
- **Present**
 - How this impacts Israel (and ourselves) *today*
- **Personal**
 - How does this impact *you* today?

Our God can be trusted

- When you pray, fix your eyes, as David did, on the fact that God is:
 - good
 - upright
 - willing to instruct sinners
 - loving
 - faithful
 - forgiving...
- *The confidence we have in prayer, is not because we pray well, but because of the nature of the God to whom we pray.*

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Book II:

The Exodus Section

Psalms 42 - 72

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Dispensationally Considered

Psalm

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The Great Tribulation

Marriage Supper of the Lamb

His Kingdom

Its Arrival

Its Range

Its Center

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Psalm 69

*The silent years
in the life of Christ*

Most Quoted

- Next to Psalm 22, it is the most quoted psalm in the New Testament
 - Psalm 22 deals with the death of Christ
 - Psalm 69 deals with the life of Christ
 - It is quoted in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and in Acts and Romans
 - (There are also many references to it beyond those actual quotations)

The Early Years

- This psalm tells us about the silent years of Christ's childhood and young manhood, of which the Gospels tell us practically nothing.
 - Dr. Luke tells us about an incident in the life of our Lord when He was twelve years old, but we learn nothing else about Him until He is about thirty years old.
- This psalm fills in some of the details of those early years.

The Early Years

- We see some of Christ's dark days in Nazareth and His dark hours on the cross.
- It is classified as an imprecatory psalm because of an imprecatory prayer: vv.22–28
 - And it is from *that* section the New Testament writers often quoted.
 - His imprecatory prayer is actually a cry for justice. This is a psalm of His early humiliation and rejection.
- We begin way up north at Nazareth: We hear the heart sob of a small boy, a teenager, a young man...

Psalm 69 (Summary)

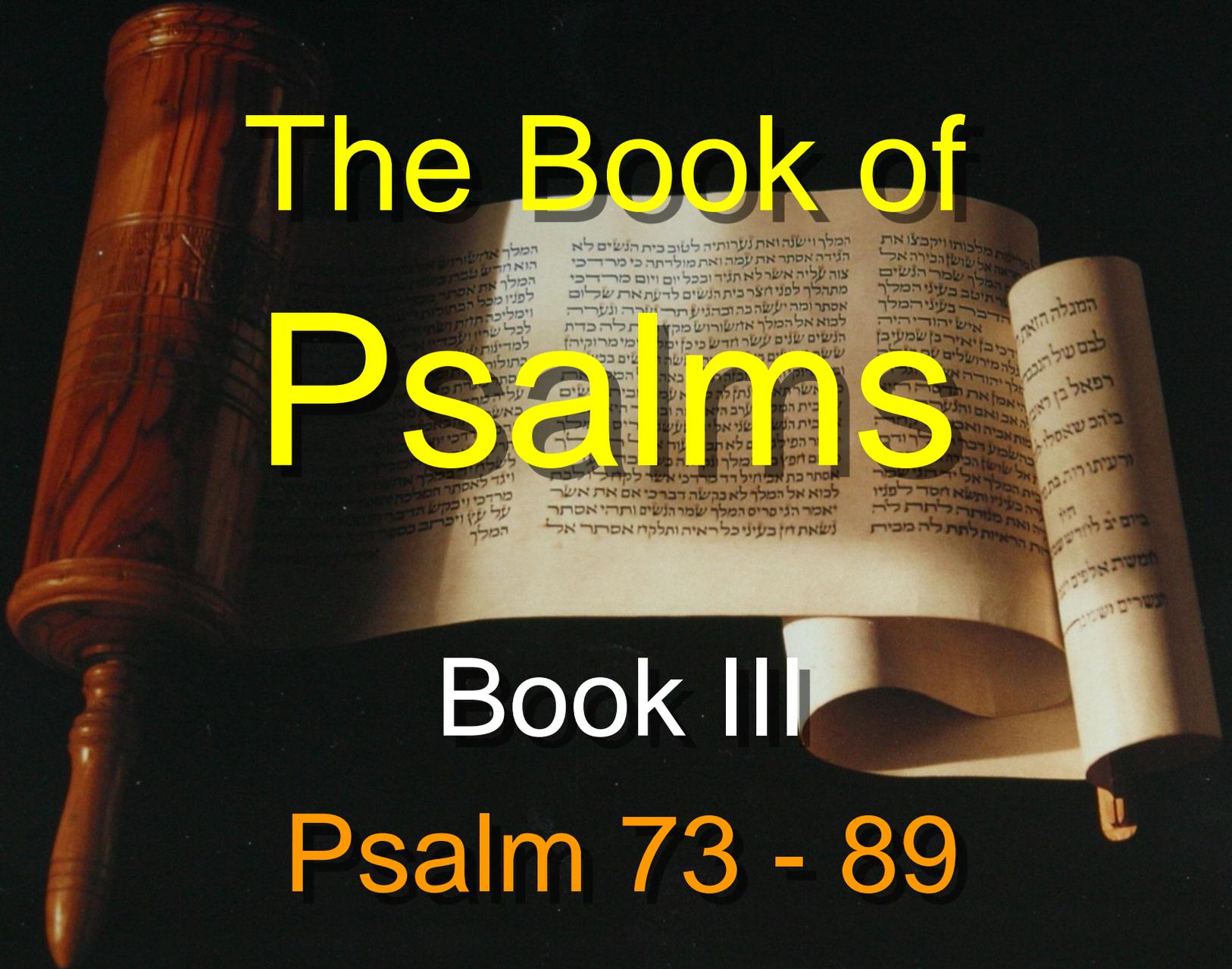
- We have no idea what He endured for 30 years
- He was raised in a town where He was called illegitimate in order that I might have clear title to be a legitimate son of God.
- The Son of God bore that for me on the cross; He paid the penalty for my sins.

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Book III

Psalm 73 - 89

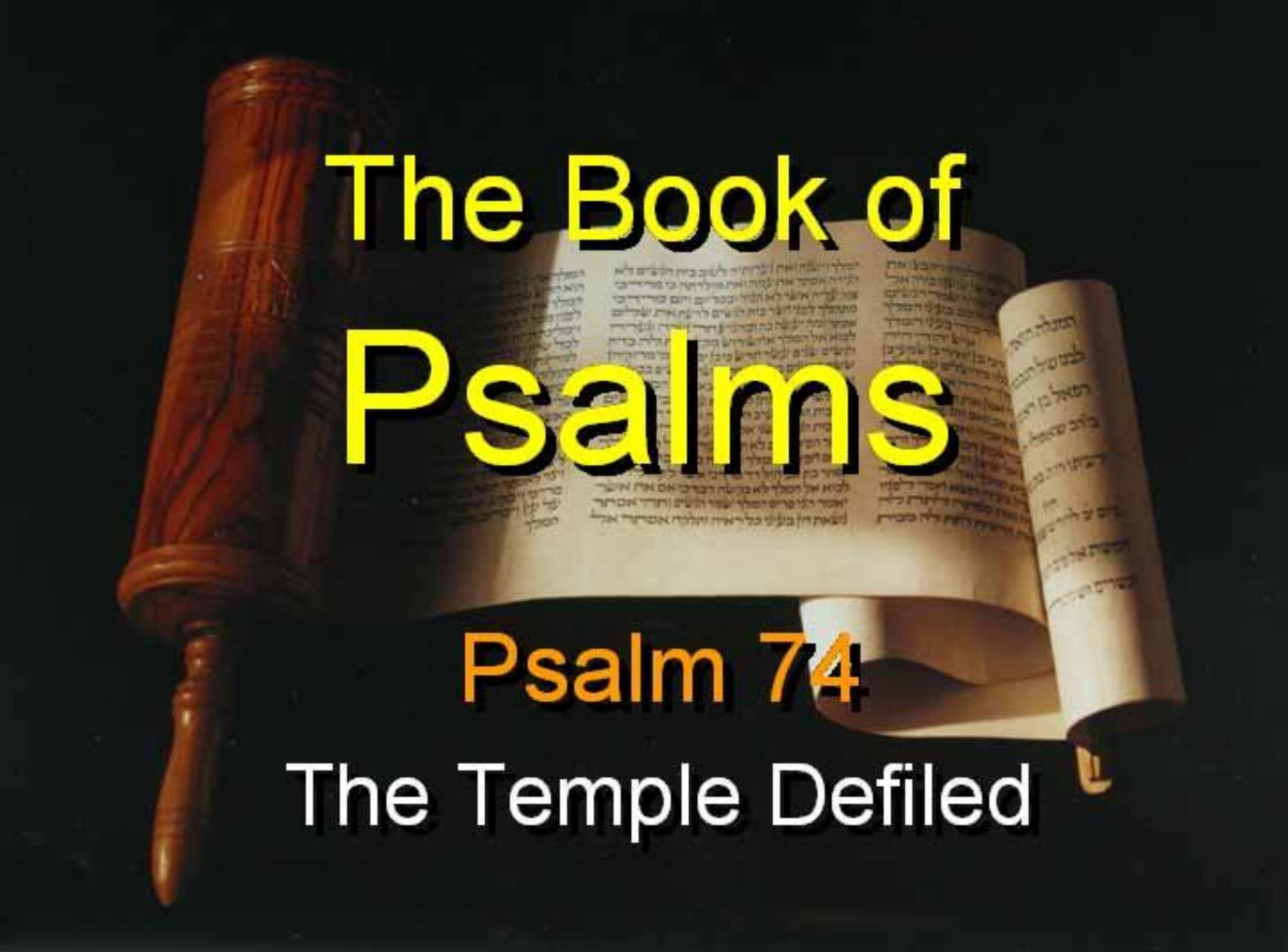


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Book III

- Book III is viewed as corresponding to the Book of Leviticus because in this section—even in Psalm 73—the sanctuary is prominent
- Leviticus is the book of worship for the tabernacle and later for the temple. It is one of the greatest books in the Bible.
- Leviticus emphasizes two things:
 - *Holiness*: that God is holy
 - *Sacrifice*: that without shedding of blood there is no remission of sins



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Psalm 74

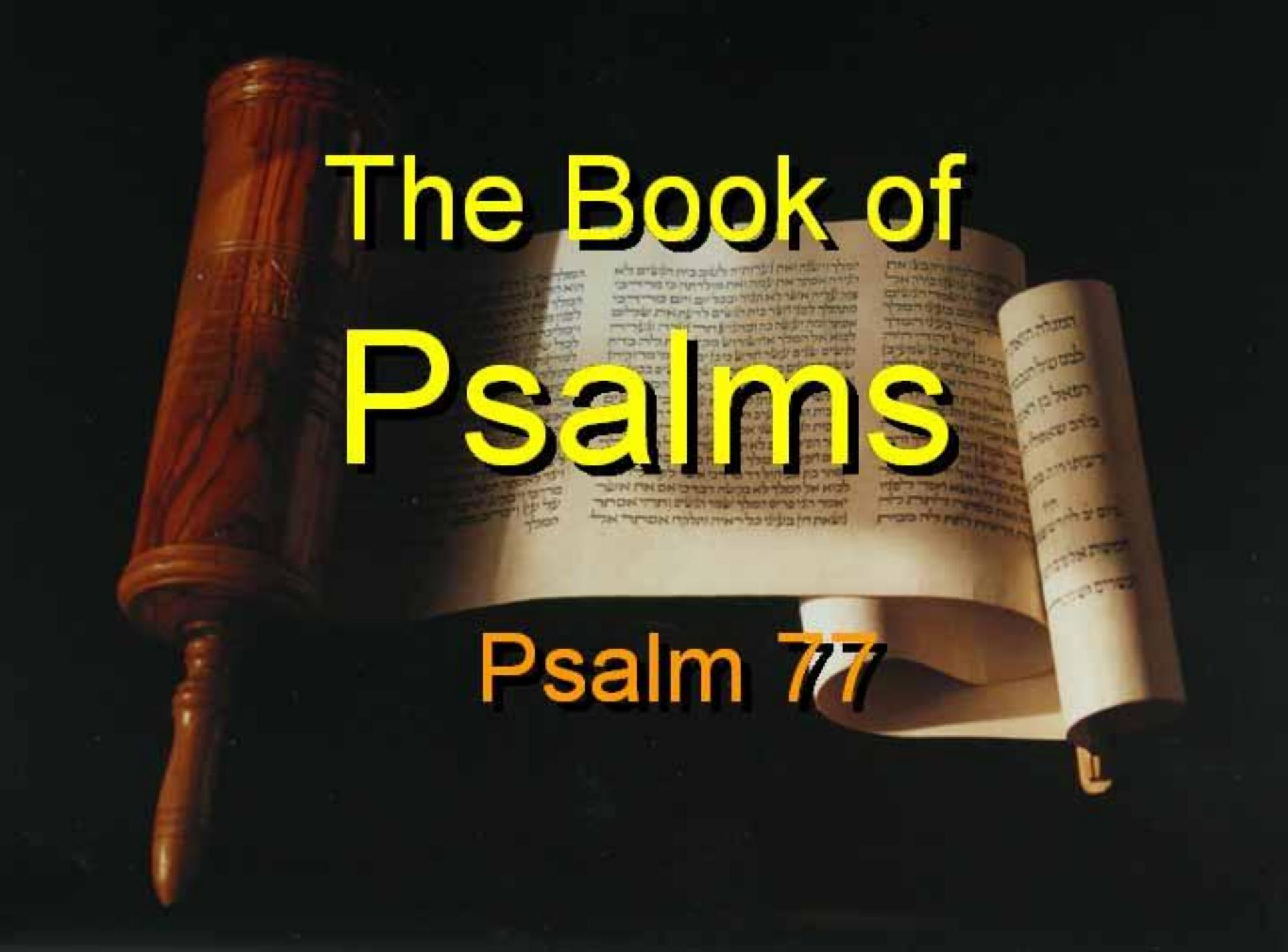
The Temple Defiled

Asaph's Prophecy

- This is prophetic of that terrible invasion by the forces of Antiochus Epiphanes
 - He was a Syrian, in the family of one of the four generals who divided up the empire of Alexander the Great after his death
 - In 167 BC. he plundered Jerusalem, profaned the temple and placed an image of Jupiter in the holy place. This was called the Abomination of Desolation **Dan 8, 9**

Asaph's Prophecy

- In 70 AD the destruction by Titus the Roman leveled the temple to the ground
Luke 21
- During the Great Tribulation the final Abomination of Desolation will profane the holy place
Matt 24:15

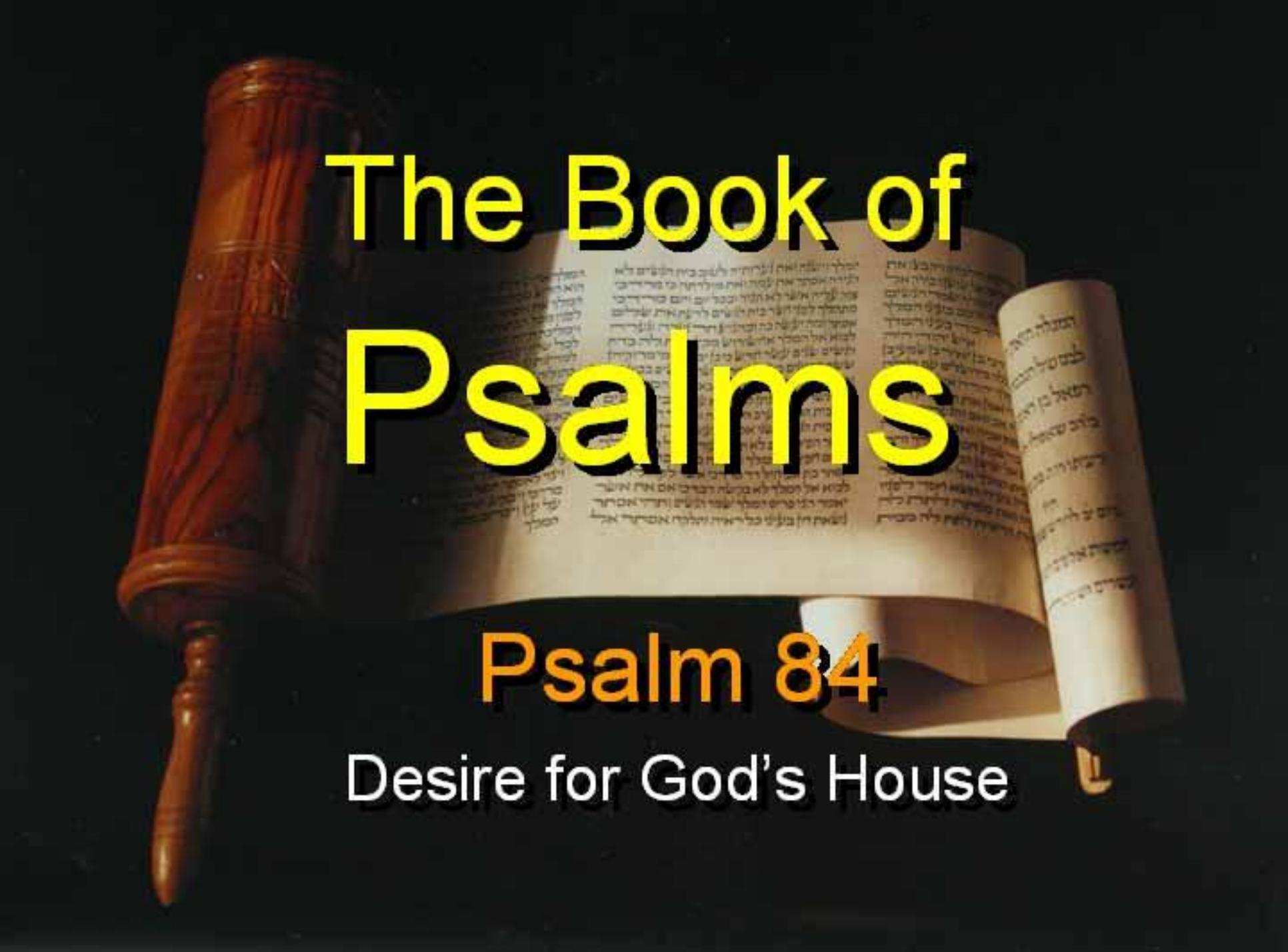
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Psalm 77

Asaph's 6 Questions

1. Has He rejected us?
 - No! He is faithful to His Word **Lam 3:31-33**
2. Will He ever again show favor to Israel?
 - Yes! **Ps 30:5; Isa 60:10**
3. Has His unfailing love vanished forever?
 - No! **Jer 31:3**
4. Have His promises failed?
 - No! **1 Kings 8:56**
5. Has He forgotten to gracious?
 - No! **Isa 49:14-18**
6. Is He so angry, He has shut up His compassions?
 - No! **Lam 3:22-24**

An open scroll of the Book of Psalms, showing Hebrew text on both sides. The scroll is resting on a wooden handle. The background is dark, and the lighting highlights the scroll and the handle.

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Psalm 84

Desire for God's House

The Sons of Korah

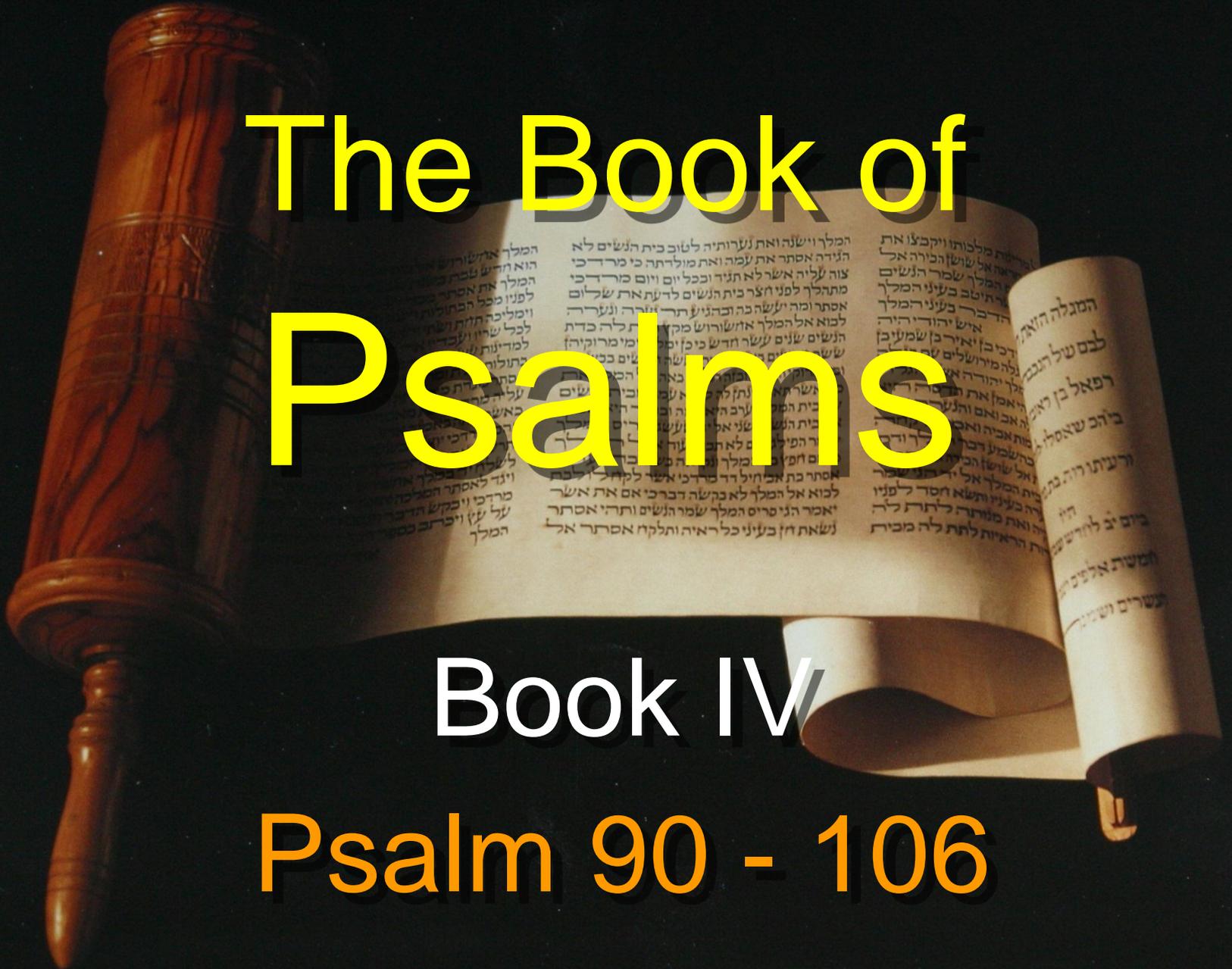
- The divisions of the porters: of the Korhites of the sons of Asaph” 1 Chr 26:1f
- Korah had led the rebellion against Moses, and he was judged for it. By the grace of God, these descendants of his yet served in the tabernacle and in the temple of God.
- These strong, robust Levites guarded the tabernacle, and later they watched over every entrance to the temple. 1 Chr 26:12–13

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Book IV

Psalm 90 - 106



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Book IV

“Numbers” Section

PSALMS 90 – 106

- Theme: *Peril and Protection*
- The Book of Numbers records the great tragedy of a generation dying in the wilderness, never reaching their goal: the Promised Land.
- How appropriate it is to begin this section with Psalm 90, the prayer of Moses. It is the only psalm of Moses that we have.

Book IV

“Numbers” Section

PSALMS 90 – 106

Theocratic Psalms	93, 95-100
Penitential Psalms	90, 91, 94, 102
Thanksgiving Psalms	92, 93, 95-100
National Psalms	94, 97, 99, 102, 105, 106
Historical Psalms	105, 106

Psalms 94 - 100

Psalm 94:

“O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth....”

Psalm 95:

“O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.”

Psalm 96:

“O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth.”

Psalm 97:

“The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice”

Psalm 98:

“O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvelous things....”

Psalm 99:

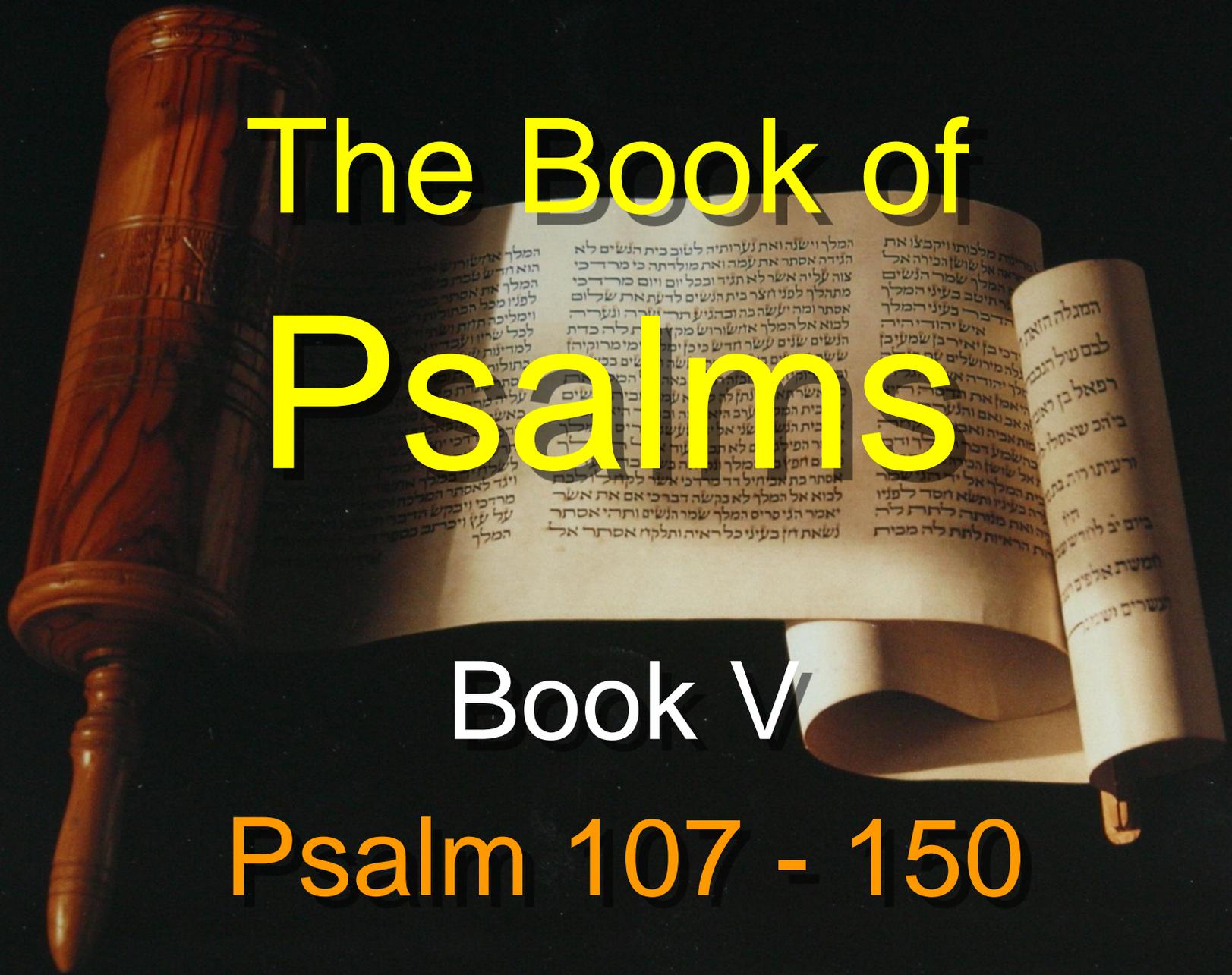
“The Lord reigneth; let the people tremble....”

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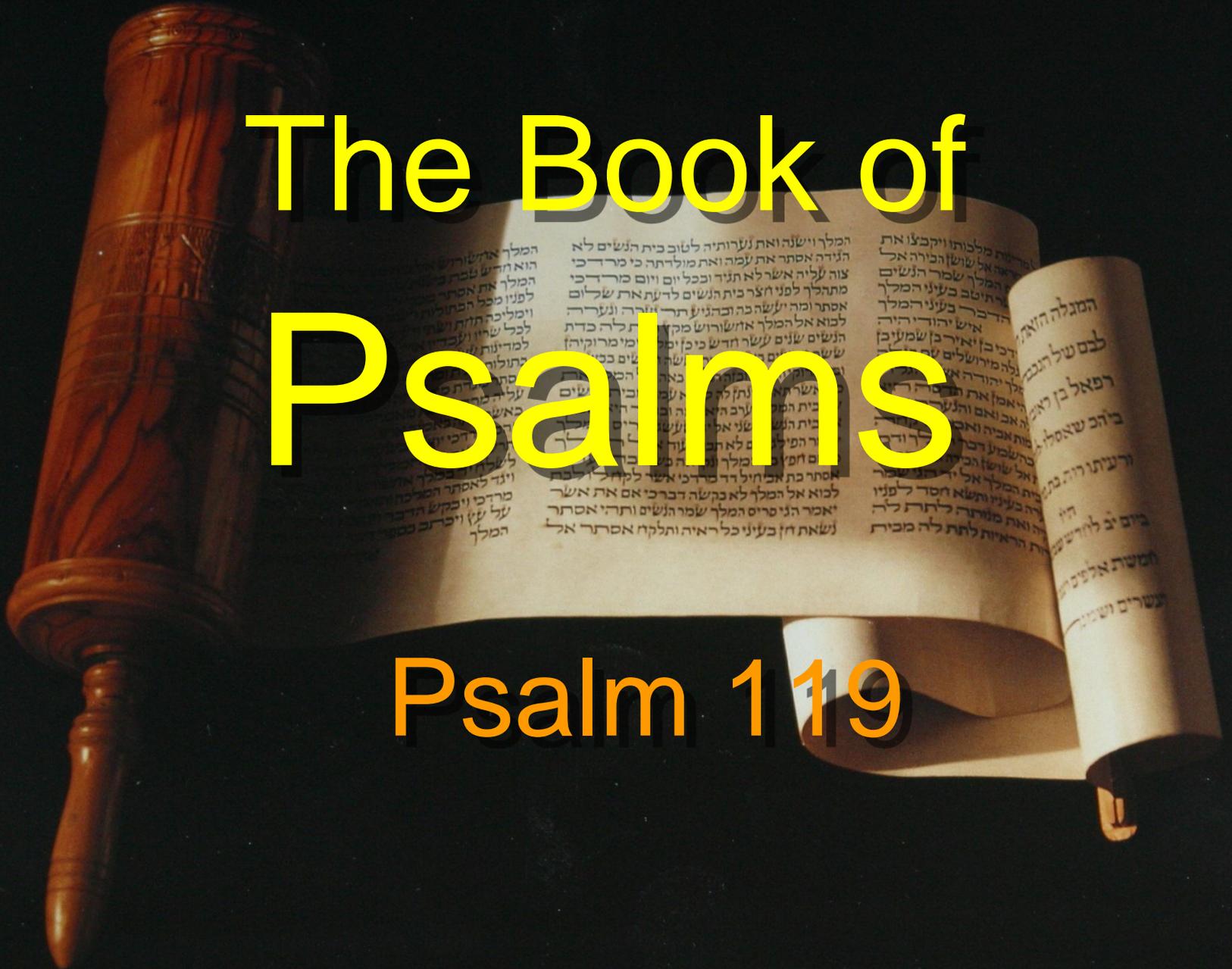
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Songs of “Degrees”

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- Captives returning from Babylon **Ezra 7:9**
- Compulsory feasts 3 / year: **Deut 16:16**
 - Feast of Unleavened Bread
 - Feast of Weeks
 - Feast of Tabernacles
- Caravan rallying point **Ps 122:3,4**
 - Cf. **Luke 2:41-50**

“The Songs of [the] Degrees”

Psalms 120-134

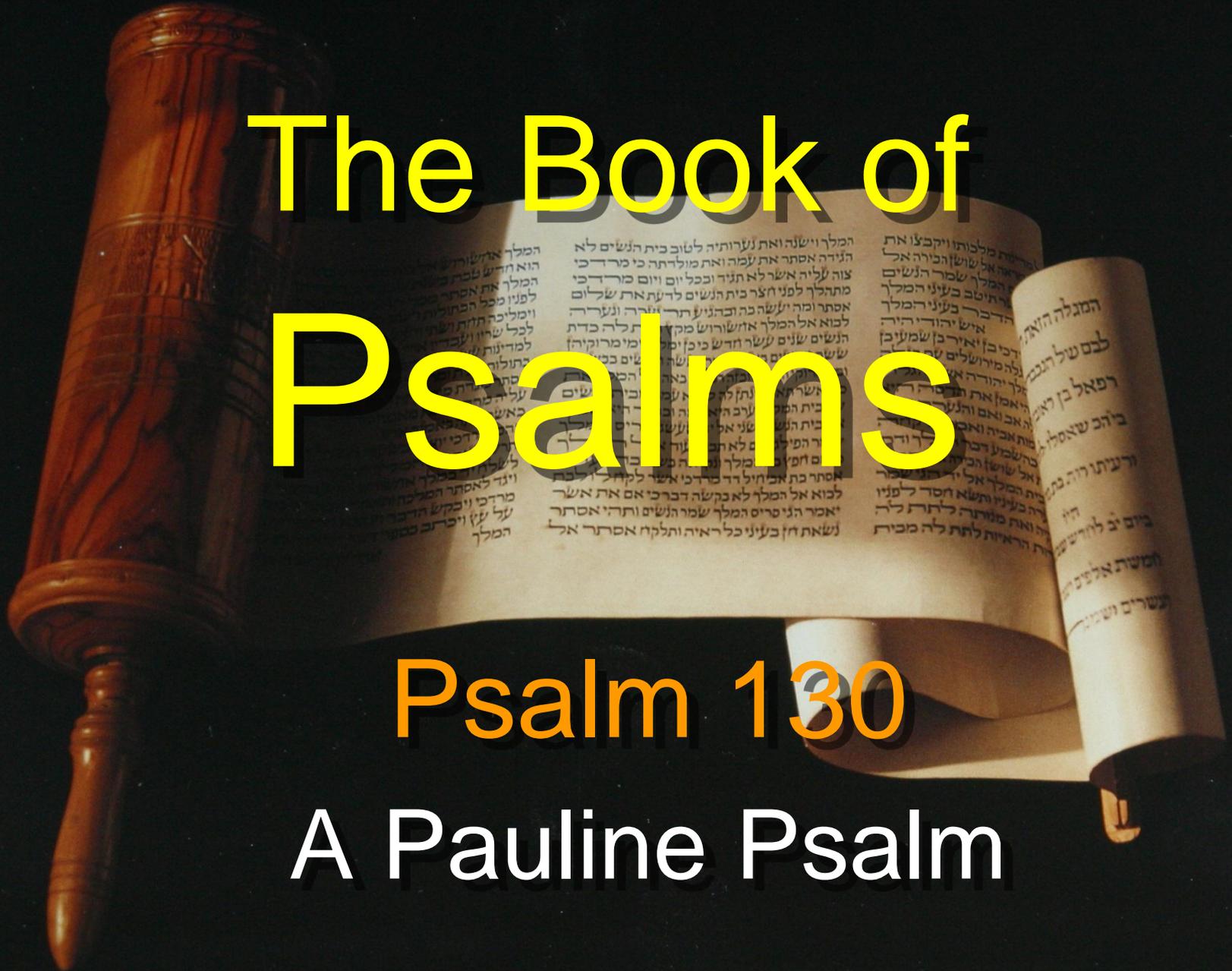
- Traditions: “Ascents?” “Steps?”
- Some ascribe them to Hezekiah:
 - Godliest of Judah’s kings 2 Kings 18:5, 6
 - Wrote many psalms and proverbs
 - Restored Temple worship 2 Chronicles 29
 - The addition of 15 years to his life as confirmed by Ahaz’s sun-dial 2 Kings 20:8-11

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Psalm 130

A Pauline Psalm



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