OLD TESTAMENT BIBLICAL LITERACY

PSALMS – Part Two

Lesson 35

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To Come

- Joel Chernoff
- Edward Fudge Ecclesiastes
- Combine Proverbs and Song of Solomon
- Isaiah
- Jeremiah / Lamentations
- Ezekiel
- Daniel
- 12 Minor Prophets

Homework?

150 Psalms / 30 Days

= 5 Per Day

So, 1st – 1, 31, 61, 91, 121

On $5^{th} - 5$, 35, 65, 95, 125

Refresher

Poetry:

The expression of thought, imagination or feeling

in a language and a form

adapted to stir the imagination and emotions.

Refresher Cont'd

- Not Rhyme and Rhythm
- Parallelism is Key

Parallelism:

A balanced thought pattern where one line of poetry is compared to a following line (or lines).

• Verse 13

By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion.

There on poplars we hung our harps,

For there our captors asked us for songs, our tormentors demanded songs of joy; they said, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion.

Psalm 137 Cont'd

- How can we sing the songs of the Lord (ha 'shim) while in a foreign land?
- If I forget you, O Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its skill.
- May my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, if I do not consider Jerusalem my highest joy.

Psalm 137 Cont'd

- Remember, O Lord, what the Edomites did on the day Jerusalem fell. "Tear it down," they cried, "tear it down to its foundations!"
- O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, happy is he who spays you for what you have done to us he who seizes your infants and dashes them against the rocks.

- The LORD [Yahweh] is my shepherd, I shall not want.
- He makes me lie down in green pastures,
- He leads me beside quiet waters,
- He restores my soul.
- He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- Even though I walk through the valley of death I will fear no evil
- For you are with me, your rod and your staff they comfort me
- You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies.
- You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD [Yahweh] forever.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;

According to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

. . .

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Point For Home

- Keep Reading!!!
- Listen
- Let the Holy One Bring Joy
- Repent Before God
- Trust the Shepherd