

WEEK THREE

PSALMS: A VOICE FOR ALL SEASONS



WEEKLY READING

The grouping of Royal and Prophetic Psalms is listed below. Read each day's psalms in ESV or CSB. On two of the days, choose a second translation to read from. Highlight in your Bible the passages you would like to echo in prayer. Record the places you find song lyrics originating from these Psalms.

Day 1: Psalms 2; 18; 20; 21; 29

Day 2: Psalms 45; 47; 50; 72; 78

Day 3: Psalms 81; 89; 93; 95

Day 4: Psalms 96; 97; 98; 99

Day 5: Psalms 101; 110; 132; 144

"Royal and Prophetic psalms are glaringly easy to define. They are psalms about royal people and things and psalms that contain prophetic words."

Bible study is not a class you take but a rhythm you keep as a believer.

ROYAL AND PROPHETIC PSALMS

Watch Session 3 Teaching and fill in the common traits of these psalms below.

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CROSS-REFERENCES

There is extensive cross-referencing to be done this week, and we will not exhaust it all. Psalm 110 has 23 NT references! We'll examine four. Use these questions to unpack the references.

- Who is referencing the psalm?
- What circumstances surround the reference?

Psalm 110:1 // Matthew 22:44

Psalm 110:1 // Acts 2:34

Psalm 110:4 // Hebrews 5:6

Psalm 110:4 // Hebrews 7:17

*As you read, and as time allows, use your Bible or online resources to find other cross-references within the Royal and Prophetic Psalms.

**We have cross-referenced Psalm 34 as an example and template for you. Visit our Psalms Study at prestonwoodwomen.org to access this example.

READ, REFLECT, AND WRITE

After reading the assigned Royal and Prophetic Psalms, reflect on the passages that caught your attention this week. Ask God to give you words to "sing" back to Him from your own life. Write a prophetic psalm, anticipating the return of Christ, and include at least three of the elements identified in this week's teaching (or from your own personal list). Consider singing it to God.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What stands out to you about the way prophetic psalms reveal God's plan for the future? How does this shape your view of Scripture as a unified story?
- How does seeing Old Testament prophecies fulfilled in Jesus strengthen your faith? Are there specific examples that are especially meaningful to you?
- The Royal Psalms often inspire worship. How can reflecting on Christ as King transform the way we worship?

FOCAL VERSE

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Psalm 18:2