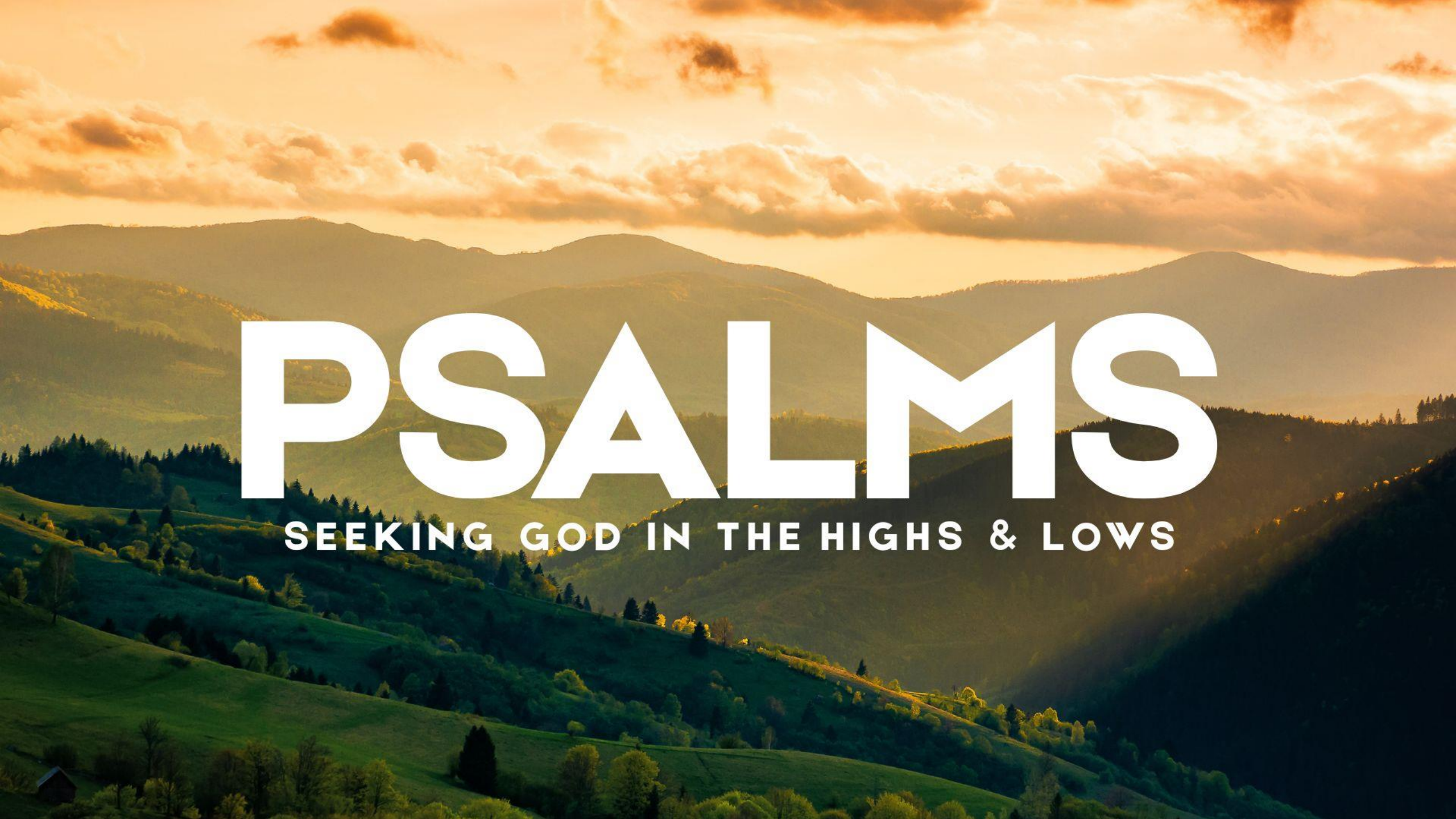




PSALMS

SEEKING GOD IN THE HIGHS & LOWS

Psalms: Overview

	Book 1	Book 2	Book 3	Book 4	Book 5
Chapters	1-41	42-72	73-89	90-106	107-150
Parallel	Genesis	Exodus	Leviticus	Numbers	Deuteronomy
Focus	Messiah	Desire	Israel	King	Praise
Theme	Man	Deliverance	Worship	Wandering	Law & Land

Type of Psalm	Description
Royal	Focus on the king as the son of David
Imprecatory	Calls for God's judgment against God's enemies
Penitential	Confesses sorrow for sin and appeals to God for grace
Messianic	Describes some aspect of the Messiah's person or ministry
Hymns	Song of praise and thanksgiving to God
Wisdom	General observations on life
Lament	Laments one's conditions

Psalms 73 – Lead-In

- 5 distinct “books” within Psalms
 - 1 (duh), 42, 73, 90, 107
- Several different psalmists, per the commentaries
 - David, Moses, Heman, Asaph his brother, Solomon, Ethan, sons of Korah, Anon.
- A bunch from David ending at 71 or 72
- One for (Stew) or by (Beck) Solomon at 72 (+ 127, some say)
- Start of Asaph and Sons of Asaph at 73

Psalms 73 – All about Asaph

- Asaph, a Levite, son of Berechiah of Gershon 1Chron 6:39, 15:17
 - Celebrated in history as a prophet and a poet Neh 12:46, 2Chron 29:30
- The Sons of Asaph in 1Chron 25:1-2, 2Chron 20:14-22
 - Presided over choral services in the temple 1Chron 16:5-7
 - Office made hereditary after David's reign
 - 12 Psalms between them

Psalm 31 – Let's Read It, Already!

- It's on the handout
- Follow along in your own translation

Psalms 73 – Break it into Sections

- Looking by subject or by pronoun
 - V1 Eternal truth
 - Vv 2-3 – Me
 - Vv 4-11 – The Wicked
 - Vv 12-16 – Me
 - V17 – God's Sanctuary/Turning Point
 - Vv 18-20 – The Wicked
 - Vv 21-22 – Me
 - Vv 23-26 – God (Isa 41:10-14, Gal 3:29)
 - Vv 27-28 – Contrast of me with the wicked / conclusion

Psalm 73 – Emotions List / Situation Described

Psalm 73 – Any Poetic Conventions?

- Imagery
- Metaphor / Simile
- Personification
- Hyperbole
- Chiasm
- Inclusio – (I got it from Ryan)

Psalm 73 – Relationships Among Subjects

- Me and The Wicked
- The Wicked and God
- Me and God

Psalm 73 – Benefits and Conditions

Psalm 73 – Key Truths / Relation to Life Now

Psalm 73 – Key Takeaways

- “So what?”
- How should you pray in light of what we’ve uncovered?
- Fill in Ryan’s blank: “When I feel _____, I will turn to Psalm 73.”

Adam's Challenge:

Read 1-2 Psalms each day during this class to get through all 150 Psalms.

Bonus: Keep a journal with a 2-3 sentence response to your daily reading