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## Why The Psalms Are Important

- Reminds us of the History of God's People
- Reminds us of the Faithfulness of God
- Gives Us Permission to Express Emotion/Feeling

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## Messianic Fulfillment

### Psalm 2:7

I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you."

<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

-Luke 3:21-22

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## Theological Insight

### Psalm 3:3

But you, O Lord, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

- Blood of Jesus covers us
- Cross is the glory of God
- Cross reconciles us to the Father

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## Quoted in Epistles

**Psalm 4:4 (Paul quotes)**

**Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.**

**<sup>25</sup> Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and give no opportunity to the devil.**

**-Ephesians 4:25-27**

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## Quoted by Jesus

**Psalm 6:8**

**Depart from me, all you workers of evil,  
for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping.**

**<sup>22</sup> On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' <sup>23</sup> And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'**

**-Matthew 7:22-23**

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 planted by streams of water  
 that yields its fruit in its season,  
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**“And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.”**

**-Ezekiel 47:12**

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**“I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” –John 14:16**

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## Matthew 5:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. <sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. <sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. <sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. <sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup> Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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3. To Be Blessed Is To Apply His Word To Our Lives

<sup>24</sup> "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock."

—Matthew 7:24-25

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**Psalm 8:1-4**

**<sup>1</sup> O Lord, our Lord,**  
 how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
 You have set your glory above the heavens.  
**<sup>2</sup> Out of the mouth of babies and infants,**  
 you have established strength because of your foes,  
 to still the enemy and the avenger.  
**<sup>3</sup> When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,**  
 the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,  
**<sup>4</sup> what is man that you are mindful of him,**  
 and the son of man that you care for him?

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## Psalm 8:5-9

- <sup>5</sup> Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings  
and crowned him with glory and honor.
- <sup>6</sup> You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under his feet,
- <sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,
- <sup>8</sup> the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
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