

PSALMS | 19 OT



The Psalms were initially five books, put together chronologically, for the creation of songs and to be put to musical instruments. Individual psalms were written as early as Moses' time, around 1450 BC. More were added through the time of David and Solomon around 1000 BC. Additions continued after the Babylonian captivity around 500 BC. That means the writing spanned nearly 1,000 years. There can be no breakdown of subject matter as the Psalms were written from the heart, not history, though the breakdown below is methodical:



NUMBER OF CHAPTERS:
150



TYPE:
POETRY



DATE WRITTEN:
1400 – 450 BC



PERIOD COVERED:
DESIGNED TO BE TIMELESS



AUTHOR:
MANY CONTRIBUTORS,
including Moses,
David (wrote over
half), and Solomon.

BREAKDOWNS

TYPES OF PSALMS

- Laments
- Praise
- Thanksgiving
- Celebration of Law
- Wisdom
- Confidence
- Royal
- Historical
- Prophetic

Psalms 1-41	Book 1: God is Near to Us
Psalms 42-72	Book 2: God Goes Before Us
Psalms 73-89	Book 3: God Surrounds Us
Psalms 90-106	Book 4: God is Above Us
Psalms 107-150	Book 5: God is Among Us

1 THE 73 PSALMS BY KING DAVID	2 THE 12 PSALMS WRITTEN BY ASAPH AND FAMILY MEMBERS	3 THE 11 PSALMS WRITTEN BY THE SONS OF KORAH	4 SMALLER CONTRIBUTIONS	5 REMAINING PSALMS
3–9; 11–32; 34–41; 51–65; 68–70; 86; 101; 103; 108–110; 122; 124; 131; 133; 138–145.	50; 73–83.	42; 44–49; 84–85; 87–88.	Heman, Psalm 88; Solomon, Psalms 72 and 127; Moses, Psalm 90; Ethan the Ezrahite, Psalm 89.	All other psalms are anonymous.

