

The Way of the Righteous and the Wicked (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)

Psalm 1

- 1 Blessed is the man who does not walk in the advice of *the* wicked;
nor does he stand in *the* way of sinners;
nor does he sit in *the* assembly of mockers.
- 2 Instead, in the law of Yahweh *is* his delight,
and on his law he meditates day and night.
- 3 And so, he is like a tree planted by streams of water
that gives its fruit in its season;
its leaf also does not wither.
Therefore all that he does prospers.
- 4 Not so the wicked.
Instead, *they are* like the chaff that *the* wind scatters.
- 5 Therefore *the* wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of *the* righteous;
- 6 for Yahweh knows *the* way of *the* righteous,
but *the* way of *the* wicked will perish.

The Steadfast Love of the LORD (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)

Psalm 33

- 1 Exult in Yahweh, O *you* righteous,
for praise *is* fitting for the upright.
- 2 Give thanks to Yahweh with *the* lyre;
with a harp of ten strings play to him.
- 3 Sing to him a new song;
play skillfully with jubilant shout.
- 4 For the word of Yahweh *is* upright,
and all his work *is done* in faithfulness.
- 5 *He* loves righteousness and justice.
The earth is full of the loyal love of Yahweh.
- 6 By the word of Yahweh *the* heavens were made,
and by the breath of his mouth all their host.
- 7 *He* gathered the waters of the sea like a heap.
He put *the* deeps in storehouses.
- 8 Let all the earth fear Yahweh.
Let all *the* inhabitants of *the* world stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he himself spoke and it came to pass.
He himself commanded and it stood firm.
- 10 Yahweh brings to nothing *the* plan of nations;
he frustrates *the* intents of peoples.
- 11 The plan of Yahweh stands firm forever,
the intents of his heart from one generation to the next.
- 12 Blessed *is* the nation whose God *is* Yahweh,
the people he has chosen for his inheritance.
- 13 From heaven Yahweh looks;
he sees all the children of humankind.
- 14 From his dwelling place he gazes
on all the inhabitants of the earth,
- 15 he who fashions altogether their heart,
he who understands all their works.
- 16 The king *is* not saved by *the* greatness of an army.
The warrior is not delivered by *the* greatness of strength.
- 17 The horse *is* a false hope for victory,
nor can it save by the greatness of its power.
- 18 Behold, the eye of Yahweh *is* on those who fear him,
on those who hope for his loyal love

- 19 to deliver their soul from death
and to keep them alive in famine.
- 20 Our soul waits for Yahweh;
he *is* our help and our shield.
- 21 For in him our heart rejoices
because in his holy name we trust.
- 22 Let your loyal love, O Yahweh, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.

How Awesome Are Your Deeds (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)

Psalm 66

For the music director.

A song. A psalm.

- 1 Shout joyfully to God, all the earth.
2 Sing the glory of his name.
Set forth his glorious praise.
- 3 Say to God, "How awesome are your works!
Because of the greatness of your strength,
your enemies will cringe before you.
- 4 All the earth will bow in worship to you,
and sing *praise* to you.
They will sing *the praise of your name.*" *Selah*
- 5 Come and consider the works of God;
he is awesome in his dealings with the children of humankind.
- 6 He turned *the* sea into dry ground;
they passed through the river on foot.
There we rejoiced in him.
- 7 *He* rules by his might forever;
his eyes keep watch on the nations.
Do not let the rebellious exalt themselves. *Selah*
- 8 Bless our God, O peoples,
and cause the sound of his praise to be heard,
9 the one who has kept our soul among the living,
and has not allowed our foot to slip.
- 10 For you have tested us, O God;
you have tried us as silver is tried.
- 11 You brought us into the net;
you placed a heavy burden on our backs.
- 12 You let men ride over our heads.
We went through fire and through water,
but you have brought us out to the place of abundance.
- 13 I will come into your house with burnt offerings.
I will pay to you my vows
14 that my lips uttered,
and my mouth spoke in my distress.
- 15 Burnt offerings of fat animals I will offer to you,
with *the* smoke of rams.
I will do cattle with rams. *Selah*
- 16 Come *and* hear, all you God-fearers, and I will tell
what he has done for me.
- 17 I called to him with my mouth,
and he was extolled with my tongue.
- 18 If I had considered evil in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.
- 19 However, God has listened;
he has attended to the sound of my prayer.
- 20 Blessed be God,

who has not turned aside my prayer,
or his loyal love from me.

Make Your Face Shine upon Us (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)

Psalm 67

For the music director, with stringed instruments.

A psalm. A song.

- 1 May God be gracious to us and bless us.
May he cause his face to shine toward us, *Selah*
- 2 that your way may be known on the earth,
your salvation among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all of the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
because you judge *the* peoples with equity
and guide the nations on the earth. *Selah*
- 5 Let *the* peoples praise you, O God;
let all *the* peoples praise you.
- 6 *The* earth has yielded its produce.
God, our God, will bless us.
- 7 God will bless us,
and all *the* ends of *the* earth will fear him.

Forsake Me Not When My Strength Is Spent (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

Psalm 71

- 1 In you, O Yahweh, I have taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
- 2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be for me a rock of refuge to resort to always;
you have ordained to save me,
because you *are* my rock and my fortress.
- 4 My God, rescue me from *the* hand of *the* wicked,
from *the* grasp of *the* evildoer and *the* oppressor,
because you *are* my hope,
O Lord Yahweh, my confidence from my youth.
- 6 Upon you I have leaned from birth.
It was you who took me from the womb of my mother.
My praise *is* of you continually.
- 7 I have become a wonder to many,
but you *are* my strong refuge.
- 8 My mouth is filled with your praise,
with your glory all the day.
- 9 Do not cast me away in the time of old age;
when my strength fails do not abandon me.
- 10 For my enemies talk concerning me,
and those who watch for my life conspire together,
11 saying, “His God has abandoned him.
Pursue and seize him, because there is no deliverer.”
- 12 O God, do not be far from me.
My God, hurry to help me.
- 13 Let them be ashamed; let them perish
who are my adversaries.
Let *them* wrap themselves with scorn and disgrace
who seek my harm.

- 14 But as for me, I will hope continually
and increase your praise.
- 15 My mouth will tell of your righteousness,
your salvation all day long,
though I do not know *the full sum of them*.
- 16 I will come in *to tell* the mighty deeds of Lord Yahweh.
I will make known your righteousness, yours only.
- 17 O God, you have taught me from my youth,
and up to now I have proclaimed your wonderful deeds.
- 18 And even when *I am* old and gray,
O God, do not abandon me
until I proclaim your strength to *this* generation,
your power to every *one that comes after*.
- 19 And your righteousness, O God, *is to the height of heaven*.
You who have done great things,
O God, who *is* like you?
- 20 You who have caused me to see many troubles and evils,
you will again revive me.
And from the depths of the earth
you will again bring me up.
- 21 You will increase my greatness,
and you will comfort me all around.
- 22 On my part, I will praise you with a stringed instrument,
and your faithfulness, O my God.
I will sing praises to you with a lyre,
O Holy One of Israel.
- 23 My lips will sing for joy when I sing praises to you,
and my soul, which you have redeemed.
- 24 My tongue also
will speak of your righteousness all the day,
because they have been put to shame, because they have been humiliated
who seek my harm.

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Chronological Notes

- 1) There are forty-six psalms whose authorship is unknown (i.e., they contain no authorial heading: 1, 33, 66–67, 71, 91–94, 96–100, 102, 104–107, 111–121, 123, 125, 126, 128–130, 132, 134–137, 146–150). Three of these psalms (96, 105, 106)¹ are directly connected with 1 Chronicles 16 (David bringing the ark to Jerusalem) and have already been included in that context. Another two psalms were likely written during the exile to Babylon (137) and after the return to Israel (126)—they will be presented later in that context. I have dated the remaining anonymous psalms as “c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom” to indicate that they could have been written anytime during this period.

¹ Depending on how you translate 1 Chr 16:7, these psalms may be attributed to David (NASB—“Then on that day David first assigned Asaph and his relatives to give thanks to the LORD” vs. NET—“That day David first gave to Asaph and his colleagues this song of thanks to the LORD.”