

Interesting Facts About Psalms

MEANING: "Book of Praises."

AUTHOR: A number of authors.

- Almost half (73 Psalms) are attributed to David.
- 12 were by Asaph.
- 10 were by the sons of Korah.
- 2 by Solomon. (2 & 127)
- 1 by Moses. (90)
- 1 by Herman.
- 1 by Ethan.
- 50 are anonymous.
- Some of the anonymous Psalms are attributed to Ezra.

TIME WRITTEN: The Psalms were written over a wide span of time from Moses (1410 B.C.) to the post exilic community under Ezra and Nehemiah (400 B.C.)

POSITION IN THE BIBLE:

- 19th Book in the Bible
- 19th Book in the Old Testament
- 2nd of 5 Poetical books (Job - Song of Solomon)
- 47 Books to follow it.



CHAPTERS: 150

VERSES: 2,461

WORDS: 43,743

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT PSALMS:

- Every one of the 150 Psalms contains some not of praise to God.
- Psalms is the longest, and perhaps the most widely used, book in all the Bible.
- The Book of Psalms contain such diverse subjects as:
 - Jubilation
 - War
 - Peace
 - Worship
 - Judgment
 - Messianic prophecy
 - Praise
 - Lament

PSALMS

■ The Book of Psalms is actually five books:

- Book 1 - Psalms 1-41
- Book 2 - Psalms 43-72
- Book 3 - Psalms 73-89
- Book 4 - Psalms 90-106
- Book 5 - Psalms 107-150

■ There are ten types of Psalms

- Individual Lament Psalms
- Communal Lament Psalms
- Individual Thanksgiving Psalms
- Communal Thanksgiving Psalms.
- General Praise Psalms
- Descriptive Praise Psalms
- Enthronement Psalms
- Pilgrimage Psalms
- Royal Psalms
- Wisdom and Didactic Psalms

■ There are five different types of Messianic Psalms:

- Typical Messianic
- Typical Prophetic
- Indirectly Messianic
- Purely Prophetic
- Enthronement

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want."

Psalm 23:1

