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Book 2

Psalms 42-72 Text: Psalm 72

Psalms Book 2

We have come to the end of Book 2

1. Psalms of Solomon in the Bible Only 2 Psalms

- a) Psalm 72
- b) Psalm 127

2. Psalms of Solomon (apocrypha)

There is a collection of 18 Psalms that utilised the name of Solomon But these psalms were written hundreds of years after Solomon's death

A Psalm of Solomon.

- ¹ Give the king Your judgments, O God, And Your righteousness to the king's Son.
- ² He will judge Your people with righteousness, And Your poor with justice.
- ³ The mountains will bring peace to the people, And the little hills, by righteousness.
- ⁴ He will bring justice to the poor of the people; He will save the children of the needy, And will break in pieces the oppressor.
- ⁵ They shall fear You As long as the sun and moon endure, Throughout all generations.
- ⁶ He shall come down like rain upon the grass before mowing, Like showers *that* water the earth.
- ⁷ In His days the righteous shall flourish, And abundance of peace, Until the moon is no more.

⁸ He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.

⁹ Those who dwell in the wilderness will bow before Him, And His enemies will lick the dust.

¹⁰ The kings of Tarshish and of the isles Will bring presents; The kings of Sheba and Seba Will offer gifts.

¹¹ Yes, all kings shall fall down before Him; All nations shall serve Him.

¹² For He will deliver the needy when he cries, The poor also, and *him* who has no helper.

¹³ He will spare the poor and needy, And will save the souls of the needy.

¹⁴ He will redeem their life from oppression and violence; And precious shall be their blood in His sight.

¹⁵ And He shall live; And the gold of Sheba will be given to Him; Prayer also will be made for Him continually, *And* daily He shall be praised.

¹⁶ There will be an abundance of grain in the earth, On the top of the mountains; Its fruit shall wave like Lebanon; And *those* of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

¹⁷ His name shall endure forever; His name shall continue as long as the sun. And *men* shall be blessed in Him; All nations shall call Him blessed.

¹⁸ Blessed *be* the LORD God, the God of Israel, Who only does wondrous things!

¹⁹ And blessed *be* His glorious name forever! And let the whole earth be filled *with* His glory. Amen and Amen. ²⁰ The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

A GOOD PRAYER MADE TO THE LORD

Give the king Your judgments, O God, And Your righteousness to the king's Son. Psalm 72:1

1. A personal prayer

- a) The translation would then be "son"
- b) Certainly, a possible personal prayer that would be good for Solomon

2. A possible Messianic reference

- a) The translators saw this Psalm as Messianic Hence, "the king's Son"
- b) The contents of Psalm 72 would fit the Messianic context better

3. A petition to God

- a) To teach the king "good judgment"
- b) To give to the king "righteousness"

CONSEQUENCES OF BEING GIVEN JUDGMENT AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

² He will judge Your people with righteousness, And Your poor with justice.

Psalm 72:2-4

³ The mountains will bring peace to the people, And the little hills, by righteousness.

⁴ He will bring justice to the poor of the people; He will save the children of the needy, And will break in pieces the oppressor.

- 1. He will judge God's people with righteousness
- 2. He will give justice to the poor
- 3. Because of righteousness
 The mountains and hills will bring peace to people
- 4. The deeds of the king
 - a) He will uphold justice for the poor
 - b) He will save the children of the needy
 - c) He will break the power of the oppressor

THE REIGN OF A GOOD KING (Messianic)

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⁶ He shall come down like rain upon the grass before mowing, Like showers that water the earth.

⁷ In His days the righteous shall flourish, And abundance of peace, Until the moon is no more.

⁸ He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.

⁹ Those who dwell in the wilderness will bow before Him, And His enemies will lick the dust.

Psalm 72:5-9

- 1, Righteousness will prevail People would fear (reverence) God
- 2. The Messiah would be like the refreshing rain
- 3. The righteous will flourish and peace will reign
- 4. His kingdom will keep expanding/ growing

GROWTH OF THE MESSIANIC KINGDOM

¹⁰ The kings of Tarshish and of the isles Will bring presents; The kings of Sheba and Seba Will offer gifts.

¹¹ Yes, all kings shall fall down before Him; All nations shall serve Him.

¹² For He will deliver the needy when he cries, The poor also, and him who has no helper.

¹³ He will spare the poor and needy, And will save the souls of the needy.

Psalm 72:10-13

- 1. Kings will come and pay homage
- 2. The poor and the needy will receive justice
- 3. They will be especially remembered and helped

REDEMPTION AND RECOGNITION

¹⁴ He will redeem their life from oppression and violence; And precious shall be their blood in His sight.

¹⁵ And He shall live; And the gold of Sheba will be given to Him; Prayer also will be made for Him continually, *And* daily He shall be praised.

¹⁶ There will be an abundance of grain in the earth, On the top of the mountains; Its fruit shall wave like Lebanon; And *those* of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

¹⁷ His name shall endure forever; His name shall continue as long as the sun. And *men* shall be blessed in Him; All nations shall call Him blessed. ¹⁸ Blessed *be* the LORD God, the God of Israel, Who only does wondrous things!

¹⁹ And blessed *be* His glorious name forever! And let the whole earth be filled *with* His glory. Amen and Amen.

Psalm 72:14-19

- 1. The King will bring about redemption
- 2. What the righteous subjects would do:
 - a) They will pray for the Messiah to continue to rule well
 - b) They will praise Him
 - c) They will bring gifts (tributes)
 - d) He will enjoy having a good name
- 3. Blessing the LORD God of Israel
 - a) He truly does wondrous things
 - b) Blessing the Lord's name
 - c) Giving all glory to God

END OF BOOK 2

The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended. Psalm 72:20

- 1. Honouring of David
- 2. He did not write all the Psalms
- 3. But he supported this project of compiling the Psalms