

WORKSHEET 1

- 1) How does Martin Luther describe the Book of Psalms [2]
“a little Bible”. A prime source for learning about God

- 2) What is the importance of the role of Psalms 1-2 [2]
Introduction to the Psalter and an invitation the torah (God’s law)

- 3) What are three possible meanings for the term “Selah” [3]
 - To pause
 - Forever
 - To raise the voice

- 4) What does McCann speak about that is particularly problematic for Christian readers [3]
The theme of retribution or vengeance, is a violent imagery and portrayal of God as fiercely wrathfully

- 5) What does “tehillim” mean [1]
Praises

- 6) What is the role of Psalm 89 in the Psalter [2]
God shows no partiality. When God’s anointed fails, he also will receive the wrath of God

- 7) Psalms 22, 31, and 69 are associated with which events [2]
Jesus’s passion and oneness with God. His suffering, death and resurrection, his ministry to the poor, outcast and afflicted.

- 8) According to the syllabus, what happens during the semester from sundown Saturday to sundown Sunday [1]
Your instructor will be unavailable

- 9) According to the syllabus, how would I reference the second chapter of the Book of Samuel, chapter 4, verse 16 [2]

2Sam 4:16

- 10) Which week number, according to the syllabus, will we look at Psalm 105 [1]

Week 11

- 11) Which week number, according to the syllabus, will we look at inductive psalm study [1]

Week 6

- 12) Is it possible, according to the syllabus, to send a written assignment directly to your instructor for grading [1]

No

- 13) What is the overall tone of Psalms 1-10 [happy/sad/angry/neutral]. Explain your answer, and explain how you can reconcile the overall theme of these psalms with the Psalter being a book of praises [5]

The overall tone happy and expectant. The psalmist begins with “blessed” or happy is one who does not follow after the wicked. He exalts the name of the Lord and expresses his confidence in Him. In chapter three he starts to lament but cries out for deliverance from the Lord. That theme is repeated throughout the chapters, in that the Lord will avenge the wicked and deliver the righteous. He is God of justice who will bring peace to the oppressed and afflicted.

- 14) Write down one colon from Psalm 90 [1]

Ps 90:12 “Teach us to number our days”.

- 15) Write down a bi-cola from Psalm 98 [1]

Ps 98:9 “let them sing before the Lord,
for he comes to judge the earth”.

- 16) Look at Psalm 98 in an English version, and write down the verse ranges for the stanza divisions [2]

Ps 98:4-6 “shout for joy to the Lord, all the
earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;

make music to the Lord with the
harp,
with the harp and the sound of singing,
with trumpets and the blast of the
ram's horn
shout for joy before the Lord,
the King”.

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