

Song of God's Provision July 13, 2025

• The book of Psalms was divided into five sections/books: 1-41, 42-72, 73-89, 90-106, 107-150. Some even describe the five books of Psalms with the five books of the Pentateuch.

• God's presence must be coupled with God's provisions in the lives of His creation and His people

• A right relationship with the LORD is greater than anything you can purchase

1. God has provided His Messiah for the salvation of the world: Salvation

- Psalm 22:1 "My God why have you forsaken me"
- Psalm 22:17-18 "I can count all my bones"
- Psalm 22:30-31 "That he has done it"

2. God has provided for His people to endure testing: Strength

- Psalm 23:5 "Prepare a table"
- Psalm 23:6 "Goodness and Mercy"
- Psalm 24:5-6 "He will receive blessing"
- Psalm 27:13-14 "the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living"
- Psalm 31:23 "the LORD preserves the faithful"
- Psalm 40:2-3 "He put a new song in my mouth"

3. God provides teaching of truth to His people: Sustaining

- Psalm 25:8-9 "Instructs sinners and leads the humble"
- Psalm 28:7 "and I am helped"
- Psalm 33:18-19 "the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him"
- Psalm 37:23-24 "the steps of a man are established by the LORD"

Conclusion:

The doxology, praise to the LORD: Psalm 41:13

Testimony:

Psalm 40:9-10 "I have spoken of your faithfulness and salvation"

Questions:

<u>1. Read Psalm 22; Psalm 34:20; Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34; John 19:36</u>

How do these verses work together to show the plan and provision for the Messiah? Over 300 verses in Psalms reference the coming and ministry of Messiah. Throughout our study of Psalms, keep a list of verses that reference Jesus. How does God providing His messiah impact your life? The lives of the world?

<u>2. Read Psalm 23</u>

There are twelve things listed that the LORD provides for us in this chapter. List the twelve items and then describe how they impact you today. Notice the first listing: my shepherd. If Jesus is the shepherd, that means we should be following Him, not Him following us. What are some things you need to change in order to follow Jesus? Example: Read James 4:15.

3. Read Psalm 26-27

How does this Psalm compare to Psalm 1. Notice the progressions of either going away from God or going towards God. What does the attitude toward the house of God reveal about our relationship with God? Notice 27:4.

4. Read Psalm 30; II Samuel 5:11

This psalm was written for the dedication of the temple. The completion of the temple was significant because it proved His provision and presence. It was a turning point for the people of Israel and their place among the nations. Read I Corinthians 3:16; 6:19-20; Romans 12:1; I Peter 2:5. What does it mean that because of Jesus, your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit?

5. Read Psalm 34

Isn't God good? We often say that "God is good all the time and all the time God is good," yet we often only speak of requests or needs, and seldom praise God for His goodness. Take time to write out a praise to God for what He has done for you this week? Look for an opportunity to share that praise with someone else. You never know how your praise will impact someone else.

5. Read Psalm 37:1-9

What are seven commands that are given to those that follow God? God will never leave us nor forsake us...yet we often think that He has. How do these seven commands help us focus on Jesus and see His presence and provision?

5. Read Psalm 40; Isaiah 40:31; Lamentations 3:25; Proverbs 20:22; Philippians 4:6-7

Waiting is hard! We often want to take action now...and the problems get worse. How do these verses teach us to wait on the LORD and not get ahead of Him? List a time when you got ahead of the LORD and didn't wait for Him to work? How did David live out this patience in I Samuel 24:6? How did David not wait for the LORD in II Samuel 24. What is one thing that God is calling you to be patient with Him?