

Study of the Psalms 3 - Psalms 19 & 121

Why are the Psalms arguably the most important book of the Old Testament?

Why might Old Testament wisdom literature (instructional) tend to be overlooked by Christians? What contribution can it make to our life and faith?

Psalm 19

Subject

Voice

Content

Outline of the Psalm

1. The Heavens Declare (1-6)

What is meant by: “there is no speech, no words” yet their message is “unmistakable, universal”? (cf Romans 1:19-20)

What is the intention of the verses demonstrating “the rising sun”?

Paul considered the heavenly revelation a foreshadowing of the Gospel revelation in His Word. (cf Romans 10:14-18)

2. The Word of the Lord is Rewarding (7-11)

3. Deliverance From Error (12-13)

4. Prayer of Meditation (14)

Where is Christ?

The Gospel is the fulfillment of both the Torah and of the hope that lies at the heart of nature. “All creation groans and longs” for fulfillment (Rom 8:19-23)

Psalm 121 (read)

Subject

Voice

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Outline of the Psalm

1. A Cry for Help (1-2)

Why look to the hills?

2. The Lord keeps Israel (3-4)

3. The Lord protects from hardship (5-6)

4. The Lord protects from evil (7-8)

Where is Christ?