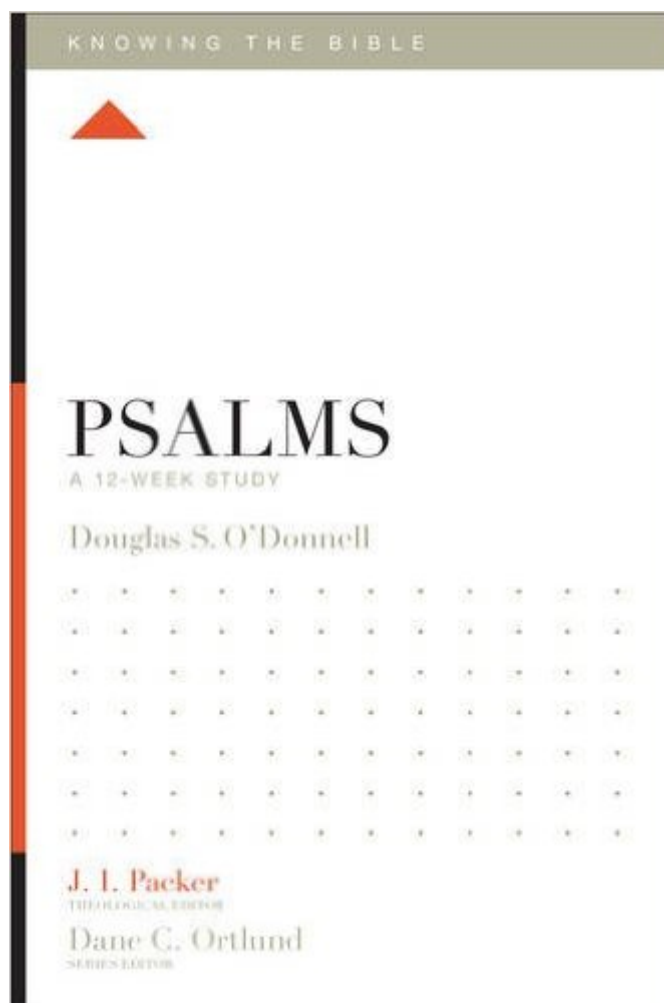


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# Psalms: A 12-Week Study (Knowing The Bible)



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The book of Psalms powerfully resonates with the whole spectrum of human emotions and experiences, resounding with heartfelt praise, humble confession, and honest lament. This guide explains the biblical text with clarity and passionâexploring the Bibleâs ability to transform our emotions and incline our hearts toward worship. Over the course of 12 weeks, these studies explore books of the Bible and:

- Ask thoughtful questions to spur discussion
- Show how each passage unveils the gospel
- Tie the text in with the whole story of Scripture
- Illuminate the doctrines taught in each passage
- Invite you to discover practical implications
- Help you better understand and apply Godâs Word

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## Customer Reviews

I received a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review. I think this is one of the best Bible studies I've seen. I haven't gone through any others of the Knowing the Bible Series, but I've heard only good things about them. Now I see why. This Bible study is based on the ESV Bible translation which can be found at Crossway in both paper and ebook formats. Each chapter goes through a section of the Psalms, then ties it in with the Gospels in the "Gospel Glimpses", asking pertinent questions for you to reflect on. Afterwards, it ties it in the the entire Bible, in the "Whole-Bible Connections" with questions for you to reflect on. Finally, the chapter ties it in with the historical background of the Israelites, with questions as well. Each chapter is easy to read and I enjoy that it

ties it in with the rest of the Bible, making the Bible one entire Book, instead of seeing the Psalms separately from the rest of the Bible.

Source: Free copy from Crossway in exchange for a review. All reviews expressed are from my own opinion. Other studies in the Knowing The Bible series: Matthew, Philippians, Proverbs, Ruth and Esther, Acts, Genesis, Romans, Isaiah, John, James, and Mark. All the studies are 12-week in format. Link for more information: [Knowing The Bible](#). All Scripture references are from the 2001, ESV, Bible by Crossway. References to additional content held in the ESV, Study Bible are referred to often in the Knowing The Bible, Psalms. The additional content is pertaining to word definition and history. From the series preface: "Knowing the Bible, as the series title indicates was created to help readers know and understand the meaning, the message, and the God of the Bible." Page 6. Week 1 is an overview of Psalms. The 12-week study covers 150 chapters of Psalms. Psalms is divided into 5 books. "Book 1 Psalms 1-41" "Book 2 Psalms 42-72" "Book 3 Psalms 73-89" "Book 4 Psalms 90-106" "Book 5 Psalms 107-150" The books are divided further, the titles and chapters given are: "Week 2: Doorway to the Psalms" covers 1-18 "Week 3: Love the Lord, All You His Saints" covers 19-31 "Week 4: Surrounded by Steadfast Love" covers 32-41 "Week 5: Why Are You Cast Down, O My Soul?" covers 42-56 "Week 6: Let the Nations Be Glad" covers 57-72 "Week 7: Truly God Is Good to Israel" covers 73-78 "Week 8: Glorify Your Name" covers 79-89 "Week 9: My Foot Slips" covers 90-106 "Week 10: I Will Awake the Dawn!" covers 107-119 "Week 11: The Songs of Ascents" covers 120-134 "Week 12: Let Everything That Has Breath" covers 135-150 In each chapter there is an intro to the section of Psalms, followed by "reflection and discussion" questions, an explanation section "Gospel Glimpses", "Whole-Bible Connections", "Theological Soundings", "Personal Implications", finishing with the encouragement to pray for reflecting and asking the Lord to teach us what we've studied. I love the study series of Knowing The Bible. The ESV, Study Bible, by Crossway, is a favorite Bible of mine. To have a Bible study gleaned from the ESV, Study Bible, is a jewel. The organization of the study is perfect. I believe this study is more than a brief encounter in studying Psalms. The Bible study on Psalms can be used for individual or group use. My favorite feature is "The Gospel Glimpses", "Whole-Bible Connections", and "Theological Soundings". These sections teach Israel's background at the time of when the Psalm were written, what key words mean, and uniting that Psalm with the rest of Scripture (for example: Jesus as the king, Messiah.)

I selected this for our small women's Bible study group. As far as I know, we are all enjoying it. This study is for someone who really wants to dig into the richness of God's Word. It is work for us, but

well worth it. It's not necessary, but some of us try to do research outside of the Bible which probably adds to the workload, but is truly deepening our knowledge and appreciation of the Psalms. Highly recommended for those who desire meat, not fluff.

Throughout this study guide of Psalms, a visually appealing layout and consistent format focus on the biblical setting, glimpses of the Gospel, theological terms, and personal implications with ample room for writing responses in "Reflection and Discussion." In addition to the high quality of information provided, Bible students and discussion groups will appreciate the high quality of the paper, cover, and print in this highly recommended series.

This book is very advanced. My co-worker and I are studying Psalms and some of the questions are college Thesis Level questions. She has a study bible, I do not. She is also finding it very difficult. We have made it through week 3 and have Learned A-LOT. We are both pleased with the course, but would like it to be a little less intense. We have not decided if we would buy another book from this same author just based on the Level of difficulty. There are great exercises we just wish there were a study guide or answer key we could also purchase.

Started studying this book along with the Psalms, of course. I decided this would make a great "book club" book. So, I have started a "book club" with my family. We will go through the 12-week course. It will be fun!

Very meaty study. Our bible study is enjoying it.

We found this book very helpful as our class began a study of Psalms. It gave us a tool to categorize the chapters and organize our study.

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