



# WHYPSALMS?

Captures the spectrum of our emotions in life

Reminds us of God's nature and heartbeat for us

### PSALMS 25 - GOD GIVES US WISDOM

THE 22 HEBREW LETTERS AND THE NUMERICAL VALUES										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
×	ב	ג	7	7	٦	7	Π	ט	,	ך כ
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	20
(a)	B, V	G	D	Н	W, V	Z	H, X	Т	J, I, Y	K
Alef	Bet	Gimel	Dalet	He	Vav	Zayin	Chet	Tet	Yod	Kaph
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
ל	ם מ	ן נ	ס	ע	ף פ	ץצ	7	٦	v	ת
30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200	300	400
L	M	N	S	(0)	P, F	Ts	K, Q	R	S, Sh	Т
Lamed	Mem	Nun	Samekh	Ayin	Pe	Tsade	Qoph	Resh	Shin	Tav

- Written by David
- Acrostic Psalms each line starts with the successive 22 Hebrew alphabet

## READING PSALMS 25 TOGETHER:

- What was David going through?
- What was David's plea for wisdom?
- What was God's character?
- Whom did God reveal His wisdom to?

<sup>1</sup>In you, Lord my God, I put my trust. <sup>2</sup> I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me. <sup>3</sup> No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame, but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

**\*Show me your ways**, Lord, **teach me your paths**. **⁵ Guide me in your truth** and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

<sup>6</sup>Remember, Lord, your **great mercy and love**, for they are from of old. <sup>7</sup> Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to **your love** remember me, for you, Lord, are good.

<sup>8</sup>Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways. <sup>9</sup> He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way. <sup>10</sup> All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful toward those who keep the demands of his covenant. <sup>11</sup> For the sake of your name, Lord, forgive my iniquity, though it is great.

<sup>12</sup> Who, then, are **those who fear the Lord**? He will instruct them in the ways they should choose. <sup>13</sup> They will spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land. <sup>14</sup> **The Lord confides in those who fear him**; he makes his covenant known to them. <sup>15</sup> **My eyes are ever on the Lord**, for only he will release my feet from the snare.

<sup>16</sup> Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am **lonely and afflicted**.

<sup>17</sup> Relieve the **troubles** of my heart and free me from my **anguish**.

<sup>18</sup> Look on my **affliction and my distress** and take away all **my sins**.

<sup>19</sup> See how numerous are **my enemies** and how fiercely they hate me!

<sup>20</sup> Guard my life and rescue me; do not let me be put to shame, for I take refuge in you. <sup>21</sup> May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope, Lord, is in you. <sup>22</sup> Deliver Israel, O God, from all their troubles!

# DAVID'S NEED FOR GOD'S WISDOM

### What was David going through?

 Distressed, lonely, afflicted, surrounded by enemies, anguished, guilty, troubled

### What was David's plea for wisdom? (V4-5)

- Show me your ways
- Teach me your paths
- Guide me in your truth

#### What was God's character?

• Merciful, good and upright, loving and faithful, gracious

#### Whom did God reveal His widsom to?

- To those who trust Him
- To those who are humble in heart
- To those who fear Him
- To those who seek Him

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom"

PROVERBS 9:10

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

JAMES 1:5

<sup>5</sup> Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; <sup>6</sup> in all your ways **submit to him**, and he will make your paths straight.

PROVERBS 3:5-6