

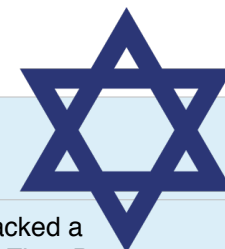
Book 4: Psalms 90–106

Psalms of Exile: Looking from Moses Rescue to the Rise a New David

From Moses to David . . .
Ps 77:20 . . . 78:70

From Moses to David . . .
Ps 90 . . . Ps101–03

From Moses to . . .??
Pss 105 & Pss 106



Moses, the Man of God Psalms 90–91

Moses' introduction recalls God's work in redemption, and the role this man of God played in delivering God's people.

Moses shows up in 99:6; 103:7; 105:26; 106:16, 23, 32

Connections to Moses

1. "The Man of God" found only in Deut 33:1
2. "Begetting" and "giving birth" (90:2) harkens back to Deuteronomy 32:18
3. "Turn" and "relent" (90:13) recall Moses' intercession in Exodus 32:12
4. "Have compassion" on his "servants" recalls Deut 32:36

The name of Moses gives hope that YHWH will once again here his people and send a deliverer (cf. Exodus 2:23–25; Luke 9:31)

YHWH is . . .

Creator — 90:2; 95:6; 100:3; 102:25; 104:5–9
Rock — 92:15; 94:22; 95:1
Judge — 94:2; 96:13; cf 7:6-17; 9:4-19
Providence — 104:10–20
Gracious — 90:13–14; 103:3, 8-10, 12; 106:6, 8, 30–31, 44–46

YHWH Reigns Psalms 92–100

YHWH arises as Israel's Eternal King. Like earlier psalms that center themselves around a center psalm, the Psalms of the LORD center themselves around the worship of YHWH in Psalms 95–97.

- 92 – A Sabbath Psalm
- 93–94 – Nations Defeated
- 95–97 – *Worshipping YHWH*
- 98–99 – Nations Invited to Worship
- 100 – A Thanksgiving Psalm

YHWH is King

- The Lord reigns is the key refrain (93:1; 96:10; 97:1; 99:1).
- YHWH is the great, eternal king (95:3; 98:6; 99:4).
- YHWH "over all gods" (95:3; 96:4; 97:9)
- YHWH is King recalls Exod 15:18 and Deut 33:5.

Hallelujah Psalms Psalms 104–106

Psalm 104 – Creation

All six days in creation are referenced in Psalm 104.

It recalls the way God can create life from nothing.

Psalm 105 – God's Faithfulness

The story of redemption is told from the perspective of God's faithfulness. It begins with God's promises to Abraham, continues through the history of Joseph, Israel, and Moses, and concludes with a need for Israel to keep God's law.

Psalm 106 – Man's Wickedness

The story of redemption is told from the perspective of Israel's sin. It concludes with a need for a righteous king to come and bring rule to God's people in the land.

Author(s): Moses (90), David (101, 103), The LORD
Overview: Even though David's throne lies in the grave, the LORD (YHWH) still reigns. YHWH is king and he will deliver his people. Book 4 recalls his rule and how he has and will establish his throne on the earth. Book aims to give hope to souls in exile.

A New David? Psalms 101–103

The House of David has lacked a righteous king to rule from Zion. But now a new David seems possible.

- Psalm 101 & 103 are attributed to David.
- Psalm 102 attributed to an afflicted man, perhaps David.
- David is not mentioned in the content of Book 4, but Pss 101 & 103 revive interest.
- Book 4 anticipates a new David.
 - Book 3 ~ David's Fall (~ Ezek 34:1–10)
 - Book 4 ~ YHWH's Reign (~ Ezek 34:11–24)
 - Book 5 ~ David's Return (~ Ezek 34:24–31)

The King Reflects the Lord

- Ps 101** — A just king defeats God's enemies.
- Ps 102** — God dwells with the contrite & afflicted (cf. Isa 57:15)
- Ps 103** — A worshiping king abides in God's covenant mercy.