

Psalms- Law and Judgment

1. Psalms 1-41 Praise/Law
 - a. Psalm 1 connects to Torah
 - i. Human is a tree by water
 1. Eden Imagery
 - b. Psalm 2
 - i. Messiah King connects to Prophets
 - c. Triad
 - i. Psalm 15 Covenant
 1. 16-18 David's Deliverance
 - a. Torah 19
 2. 20-23 Future King
 - ii. Psalm 24 Covenant
 - d. May the Lord be blessed- Psalm 41**
2. Psalms 42-72 Messiah
 - a. 42-43 Future Temple- Mt. Zion
 - b. Psalm 72
 - i. Messianic King
 - ii. Abraham's Promise
 - c. May the Lord be blessed- Psalm 72**
3. Psalms 73-89 Faith/Hope
 - a. Psalm 89
 - i. Messianic Kingdom
 - ii. Exile and David's Kingdom
 - b. May the Lord be blessed- Psalm 89**
4. Psalms 90-106 Messiah
 - a. 90-99
 - i. Yahweh is King over creation
 - b. May the Lord be blessed- Psalm 106**
5. Psalms 107-150 Praise/Law
 - a. 107-110
 - i. Messianic Kingdom**
 - b. 113-118
 - i. Hallel
 - 1. Messianic Kingdom**
 - c. Psalm 119**
 - i. Torah**
 - d. 120-136
 - i. Song of Accents
 - 1. Messianic Kingdom**
 - e. 146-150
 - i. Begin and end with Hallelu-yah
 1. Praise Yahweh

Proverbs

1. Proverbs 1-9 Wisdom

- a. Proverbs by Solomon
 - b. Proverbs are for "wisdom"
 - i. Wisdom - khokhmah
 - 1. Skill
 - c. Fear of the Lord
 - d. Ten Speeches
 - i. Wisdom and Fear
 - ii. Integrity & Generosity
 - iii. Success
 - iv. Folly
 - v. Pride
 - vi. Shame
 - e. Four Poems of Lady Wisdom
 - i. Ch. 1, 3, 8, and 9
- ### 2. Proverbs 10-29
- a. Ancient collection of Proverbs
 - b. Proverbs = probability
 - i. Wisdom leads to good life
 - ii. Folly leads to bad life
 - 1. This is not always what happens
- ### 3. Applied Wisdom
- a. Agur- 30
 - i. Applies proverbs as wisdom
 - b. Lemuel- 31
 - i. Wise woman
 - 1. Riff off lady wisdom from earlier

Job

1. Job 1-37 Suffering and Justice

- a. Job is righteous and blameless
 - b. The satan comes to test Job
 - c. Job suffers
 - i. Death
 - ii. Disease
 - iii. Wealth gone
 - d. 3 Cycles of argument
 - i. Job's Argument
 1. He's innocent
 2. Suffering is not justice
 3. God is unjust
 - ii. The Friends
 1. God is just
 2. Job must have sinned
 - iii. Elihu
 1. God is just
 2. Suffering may be a warning
2. Job 38-41 God in Control
 - a. God responds to Job
 - i. God is creator of universe
 1. Two images of disorder
 - a. Behemoth
 - b. Leviathan
 - i. God has control of both
 - b. God's response is He is control but the world has suffering
 - i. Trust in the wisdom of God

3. Job 42 Restoration

- a. Job Repents
- b. God accuses the friends
- c. Restores wealth beyond what he had

Song of Songs

1. Song of Solomon 1-6 Seek and Find - Eden imagery

- a. Two lovers seeking and finding each other
 - i. Marriage
 - ii. God and Israel
 - b. Physical Attraction
2. Song of Solomon 7-8 Love
 - a. Love is a gift from God
 - i. 8:6-7

Ruth

1. Ruth 1 Loyalty
 - a. Naomi
 - b. Orpah
 - c. Ruth
 - i. All suffer death and tragedy
 - ii. Ruth is loyal to her mother-in-law
2. Ruth 2 Generosity
 - a. Ruth meets Boaz
 - b. Boaz
 - i. Gives food and job
 - ii. Redeemer - link to Jesus
 - iii. Saves and protects
3. Ruth 3 Redeemed
 - a. Woman of noble character- wisdom theme from Proverbs 31
 - b. Agree to marry
4. Ruth 4 Loyalty
 - a. Birth of Obed
 - i. Genealogy leads to David

Lamentations

1. Lamentations 1 Grief 22 verses
 - a. Daughter of Zion
 - i. Death of a loved one
2. Lamentations 2 Wrath 22 verses
 - a. The fall is God's wrath
 - i. Justice
3. Lamentations 3-4 Suffering 66 verses
 - a. Suffering servant
 - i. Remnant has hope
 - b. Jerusalem was taken because of sin
4. Lamentations 5 Restoration 22 verses
 - a. Prayer for mercy
 - b. Question:
 - i. Rejected
 - ii. God is king

Ecclesiastes

1. Ecclesiastes 1-11 Purpose
 - a. Time is the great equalizer
 - i. Praise/Mourn
 - ii. Dance/Cry
 - b. Everything is meaningless
 - i. Meaningless- "hevel"
 1. Pleasure
 2. Status
 3. Wealth
 4. Career
 - c. Enjoy life
 - i. Family
 - ii. Food
 - d. Death is another equalizer

2. Ecclesiastes 12 Fear of the Lord

- a. Conclusion
 - i. Fear God
 - ii. Keep Commands
 1. Judgment will come for all humans

Esther

1. Esther 1-3 Justice

- a. Persia after exile
 - b. Vashti is taken from royal position
 - c. The Choosing
 - i. Esther is chosen as queen
 1. Jew
 2. Hadassah
 - ii. Mordecai- Esther's cousin
 - d. Mordecai's secret salvation of king
 - i. Doesn't get recognition he deserves
 - e. Mordecai does not bow to Haman
 - i. Haman plans to kill Jews
 1. Banquet to honor Haman
2. Esther 4-7 Courage
 - a. Plan to save the Jews
 - i. If Esther goes before the king not summoned
 1. She is executed
 2. Holds out scepter and accepted
 - ii. King Xerxes accepted her
 - b. 1st Banquet
 - i. Esther asks for a second banquet
 - c. Xerxes remembers Mordecai
 - i. Mordecai is exalted by Haman

- d. 2nd Banquet
 - i. Esther tells Xerxes about Haman's plan

3. Esther 8-10 Salvation

- a. Reversal of decree
- b. Haman hanged
- c. Purim
 - i. Celebrate salvation from destruction

Daniel

1. Daniel 1-6 Worship & Pride

- a. Daniel and friends
 - i. Obey Torah by eating vegetables
 - 1. Exalted in Babylon
- b. **Nebuchadnezzar's Dream - Chapter 2**
 - i. Statue of king
 - ii. Represents all nations will be judged
- c. **Daniel's dream - Chapter 7**
 - i. Terrible beasts- kingdoms
 - ii. Son of Man
 - 1. Exalted to God's right hand
- d. **Fiery Furnace - 3**
 - i. Refusal to worship
 - ii. Shadrach, Meshach, Abendego
 - iii. "Appearance of man" in fire
 - iv. Exalted
- e. **Lion's Den - 6**
 - i. King Darius
 - ii. Refusal to worship
 - iii. Thrown in den
 - iv. Exalted
- f. **Nebuchadnezzar's Pride - 4**
 - i. Image of God ideal
 - 1. Tree
 - ii. Repents
 - iii. Restored
- g. **Belshazzar's Pride - 5**
 - i. Writing on the Wall
 - ii. Does not repent
 - iii. Killed

2. Daniel 7-12 Hope

- a. Daniel's Vision
 - i. Goat and Ram
 - ii. Future empires
 - 1. Fall of Jerusalem
- b. Daniel's Prayer
 - i. Israel's suffering will last 7 times longer

- c. 3rd Vision
 - i. Kings of North
 - 1. Exalt themselves
 - 2. Will be humbled
- d. Kingdoms are a pattern of evil
- e. God will rescue us from evil

Ezra-Nehemiah

- 1. Ezra 1-6 Temple
 - a. Exiles return to Jerusalem
 - b. Zerubbabel leads to rebuild temple
 - i. Opposition to rebuild
- 2. Ezra 7-10 Law
 - a. Ezra reads Torah
 - b. Rebuild community
 - i. Divorce results
 - ii. Opposition
- 3. Nehemiah 1-7 Restoration
 - a. Repair Jerusalem's walls
 - i. Opposition
- 4. Nehemiah 8-13 Covenant Failure
 - a. Torah
 - i. 7 days
 - ii. Confession
 - iii. Covenant renewed
 - b. Covenant broken
 - i. Temple ignored
 - ii. Sabbath rejected
 - c. Need for Messiah

Chronicles

1. 1 Chronicles 1-9 Priest-King
 - a. Genealogies- first word "adam"
 - i. Points to Genesis 1
 - b. Names key characters in the story so far
 - i. David's Line
 1. King
 - ii. Aaron
 1. Priests
2. 1 Chronicles 10-29 Covenant
 - a. No negative stories of David
 - b. Only positive stories of David
 - i. Reminder of God's covenant promise
 - ii. New David - Messiah
3. 2 Chronicles 1-36 Blessing and Curse
 - a. Jerusalem Kings
 - i. No northern kings mentioned
 - b. Faithful Kings
 - i. Blessings
 - c. Unfaithful Kings
 - i. Curses
 - d. "Let him go up"
 - i. Points to future hope
 1. Messiah
 2. New Jerusalem
 - e. Ends with return from exile