

## Psalm Types

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| 1. Wisdom/Torah     | 35. Royal Lament   | 66. Praise         |
| 2. Royal            | 36. Wisdom         | 67. Thanksgiving   |
| 3. Lament           | Lament             | 68. *              |
| 4. Lament (I)       | 37. Wisdom         | 69. Lament         |
| 5. Lament (I)       | (Acrostic)         | 70. Lament (I)     |
| 6. Penitential      | 38. Penitential    | 71. Lament (I)     |
| 7. Lament (I)       | 39. Lament (I)     | 72. Royal          |
| 8. Praise           | 40. Thanksgiving   | 73. Levitical      |
| 9. Thanksgiving     | & Lament (I)       | 74. Lament (C)     |
| 10. Lament (I)      | 41. Lament         | 75. Thanksgiving   |
| 11. Trust           | 42. Lament (I)     | Divine Oracle      |
| 12. Lament (C)      | 43. Lament (I)     | 76. Zion Hymn      |
| 13. Lament (I)      | 44. Lament (C)     | 77. Lament (I)     |
| 14. Lament (I)      | 45. Royal –        | 78. Historical     |
| 15. Liturgical      | Wedding            | 79. Lament (C)     |
| 16. Levitical Trust | 46. Zion Hymn      | 80. Lament (C)     |
| 17. Lament (I)      | 47. Royal –        | 81. Liturgical     |
| 18. Thanksgiving    | Enthronement       | 82. Prophetic      |
| 19. Wisdom          | 48. Zion Hymn      | Oracle             |
| 20. Royal           | 49. Wisdom         | 83. Lament (N)     |
| 21. Royal           | 50. Liturgical     | 84. Zion Hymn      |
| Thanksgiving        | 51. Penitential    | 85. Lament (N)     |
| 22. Lament (I)      | 52. Lament (I)*    | Petition*          |
| 23. Trust           | 53. Lament         | 86. Lament (I)     |
| 24. Praise          | 54. Lament (I)     | 87. Zion Hymn      |
| 25. Lament (I)      | 55. Lament (I)     | 88. Lament (I)     |
| 26. Lament (I)      | 56. Lament (I)     | 89. Royal Lament   |
| 27. Trust &         | 57. Lament (I)     | 90. Lament (N)     |
| Lament (I)          | 58. Lament *       | 91. Trust          |
| 28. Lament (I)      | 59. Royal Lament   | 92. Thanksgiving   |
| 29. Praise (?)      | 60. Lament (C)     | 93. Royal          |
| 30. Thanksgiving    | 61. Royal Lament   | 94. Lament (C)     |
| 31. Lament (I)      | 62. Trust          | 95. Enthronement - |
| 32. Penitential     | 63. Trust*         | Prophetic          |
| 33. Praise /        | 64. Lament (I)     | 96. Royal –        |
| Thanksgiving        | Trust              | Enthronement       |
| 34. Thanksgiving    | 65. Thanksgiving - | 97. Royal –        |
| (Acrostic)          | Creation           | Enthronement       |

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| 98. Royal –<br>Enthronement   | 115. Lament (C) –<br>Trust    | 133. Pilgrimage*<br>Wisdom*   |
| 99. Royal –<br>Enthronement   | 116. Thanksgiving             | 134. Pilgrimage<br>Liturgical |
| 100. Praise                   | 117. Praise                   | 135. Hist- Praise             |
| 101. Royal Dialogue           | 118. Thanksgiving             | 136. Hist-Praise              |
| 102. Penitential              | 119. Torah<br>(Acrostic)      | 137. Historical<br>Lament (C) |
| 103. Thanksgiving             | 120. Lament (I)               | 138. Thanksgiving             |
| 104. Praise                   | 121. Confidence               | 139. Lament (I)*              |
| 105. Historical               | 122. Zion Hymn<br>Pilgrimage  | 140. Lament (I)               |
| 106. Historical               | 123. Confidence               | 141. Lament (I)               |
| 107. Thanksgiving             | 124. Thanksgiving             | 142. Lament (I)               |
| 108. Lament (I-C)             | 125. Trust Lament<br>(N)      | 143. Penitential (I)          |
| 109. Lament (I)               | 126. Lament (C)               | 144. Royal Thanks             |
| 110. Royal                    | 127. Wisdom                   | 145. Praise<br>(Acrostic)     |
| 111. Praise<br>(Acrostic)     | 128. Wisdom                   | 146. Praise (I)               |
| 112. Wisdom<br>(Acrostic)     | 129. Thanksgiving<br>Petition | 147. Praise (C)               |
| 113. Praise                   | 130. Penitential              | 148. Praise (C)               |
| 114. Historical<br>(Chiastic) | 131. Trust                    | 149. Praise (C)               |
|                               | 132. Royal – Zion             | 150. Doxology                 |

**Key**

\*= Difficult to Classify  
 (I) = Individual  
 (C) = Communal  
 (N) = National



= Linked Psalms (Often considered an original unity; one psalm divided into two)



= Companion Psalm

**Divisions of Psalter**

**Psalms 1-41**, doxology  
**Psalms 42-72**, doxology  
**Psalms 73-89**, doxology  
**Psalms 90-106**, doxology  
**Psalms 107-150**, doxology

- **144-150**

**Psalm 1-2** – Preamble/Preface to the entire Psalter

**Psalm 3-41** – “Psalm of David;” religious; individual formation; from one person

**Psalm 42-83** – Elohistic Section: God is referred to as Elohim, not YHWH

**Psalm 93-99/100** – Praise of God’s Kingship; **Psalm 100** summarizes

**Psalm 120-134** – Songs of Ascent; going up to the resting place of God

**Psalm 1 & 119** – Give praise to Torah