



SUMMER PSALMS

LEARNING THE SONGS OF JESUS

New City is spending time this summer exploring the Psalms – the songbook given by God to his people for worship, community, and a hopeful realism. This was modeled well in the life of Jesus. Though separated by language, culture, and generations, the Psalms are still the inspired and reliable guide to our own hearts and a constant help in honestly navigating the chaos of our world with God-honoring, Christ-centered, hope-filled resiliency

The Final Word

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God offers vibrancy even in the most withering conditions.

Psalm 52 To the choirmaster. A Maskil of David, when Doeg, the Edomite, came and told Saul, "David has come to the house of Ahimelech."

¹Why do you boast of evil, O mighty man?
The steadfast love of God endures all the day.
²Your tongue plots destruction,
like a sharp razor, you worker of deceit.
³You love evil more than good,
and lying more than speaking what is right.
⁴You love all words that devour,
O deceitful tongue.

Evil produces devouring words.

⁵But God will break you down forever;
he will snatch and tear you from your tent;
he will uproot you from the land of the living.
⁶The righteous shall see and fear,
and shall laugh at him, saying,
⁷"See the man who would not make
God his refuge,
but trusted in the abundance of his riches
and sought refuge in his own destruction!"

God has the final word.

⁸But I am like a green olive tree
in the house of God.
I trust in the steadfast love of God
forever and ever.
⁹I will thank you forever,
because you have done it.
I will wait for your name, for it is good,
in the presence of the godly.

*We actively wait for the final word through
active trust in covenant love.*

Ephesians 6

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Proverbs 10

¹⁹When words are many, transgression is not lacking,
but whoever restrains his lips is prudent.

Proverbs 26

⁴Answer not a fool according to his folly,
lest you be like him yourself.
⁵Answer a fool according to his folly,
lest he be wise in his own eyes.

Romans 12

¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Revelation 19

¹¹Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war...¹³He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. ¹⁴And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. ¹⁵From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. ¹⁶On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.