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Throughout, you'll find

- the full NIV Bible text of Psalms Books 1 and 2 alongside word find puzzles;
- notable highlights of the Psalms; and
- crossword puzzles to review key words and themes.

Each Scripture-based word search provides fill-in-the-blank clues. Read the Bible text to insert the correct words, or supply them from memory! Then search for each word in the puzzle—vertically, horizontally, or diagonally, forward or backward. You'll reinforce your knowledge of the Bible, or encounter it for the first time, in an interactive way. And if you ever need help, there's an answer key in the back.

We trust you'll have fun as you're drawn deeper into the power of God's Word. Enjoy the journey!

—The Editors

# Psalms

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## BOOK I

### *Psalms 1–41*

#### Psalm 1

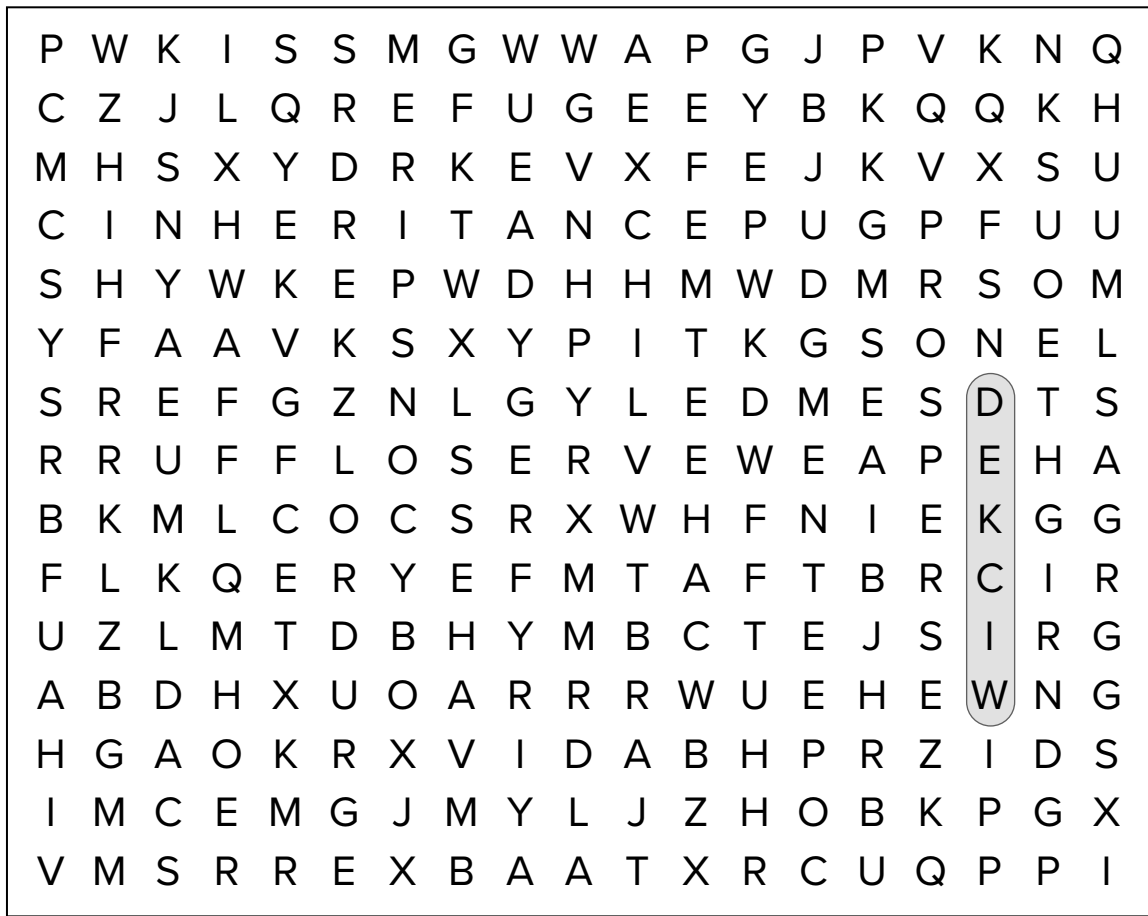
<sup>1</sup>Blessed is the one  
who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
<sup>2</sup>but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and who meditates on his law day and  
night.  
<sup>3</sup>That person is like a tree planted by streams  
of water,  
which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither —  
whatever they do prospers.  
<sup>4</sup>Not so the wicked!  
They are like chaff  
that the wind blows away.  
<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the  
judgment,  
nor sinners in the assembly of the  
righteous.  
<sup>6</sup>For the LORD watches over the way of the  
righteous,  
but the way of the wicked leads to  
destruction.

#### Psalm 2

<sup>1</sup>Why do the nations conspire  
and the peoples plot in vain?

<sup>2</sup>The kings of the earth rise up  
and the rulers band together  
against the LORD and against his  
anointed, saying,  
<sup>3</sup>“Let us break their chains  
and throw off their shackles.”  
<sup>4</sup>The One enthroned in heaven laughs;  
the Lord scoffs at them.  
<sup>5</sup>He rebukes them in his anger  
and terrifies them in his wrath, saying,  
<sup>6</sup>“I have installed my king  
on Zion, my holy mountain.”  
<sup>7</sup>I will proclaim the LORD’s decree:  
He said to me, “You are my son;  
today I have become your father.  
<sup>8</sup>Ask me,  
and I will make the nations your  
inheritance,  
the ends of the earth your possession.  
<sup>9</sup>You will break them with a rod of iron;  
you will dash them to pieces like pottery.”  
<sup>10</sup>Therefore, you kings, be wise;  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.  
<sup>11</sup>Serve the LORD with fear  
and celebrate his rule with trembling.  
<sup>12</sup>Kiss his son, or he will be angry  
and your way will lead to your  
destruction,  
for his wrath can flare up in a moment.  
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

*Psalm 2 is the first of many  
Messianic Psalms.*



- Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the WICKED. (1:1)
- The person who delights in the \_\_\_ of the Lord is blessed. (1:2)
- The blessed person is like a tree planted by streams of \_\_\_\_\_. (1:3)
- Whatever the righteous person does \_\_\_\_\_ . (1:3)
- The wicked are like \_\_\_\_\_ that the wind blows away. (1:4)
- The wicked will not stand in the \_\_\_\_\_. (1:5)
- The Lord watches over the way of the \_\_\_\_\_. (1:6)
- The nations \_\_\_\_\_ and the peoples plot in vain. (2:1)
- The kings and rulers band together against the \_\_\_\_\_ and his anointed. (2:2)
- The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ them in his anger. (2:5)
- God says, "I have installed my \_\_\_\_\_ on Zion, my holy mountain." (2:6)
- The Lord decrees, "You are my \_\_\_\_\_; today I have become your father." (2:7)
- "Ask me, and I will make the nations your \_\_\_\_\_." (2:8)
- "You will \_\_\_\_\_ them with a rod of iron." (2:9)
- The rulers of the earth are to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord with fear. (2:11)
- They should celebrate his \_\_\_\_\_ with trembling. (2:11)
- They must \_\_\_\_\_ his son, or he will be angry. (2:12)
- Blessed are all who take \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord. (2:12)

**Psalm 3**

*A psalm of David. When he fled from his son Absalom.*

- <sup>1</sup> LORD, how many are my foes!  
How many rise up against me!
- <sup>2</sup> Many are saying of me,  
“God will not deliver him.”
- <sup>3</sup> But you, LORD, are a shield around me,  
my glory, the One who lifts my head high.
- <sup>4</sup> I call out to the LORD,  
and he answers me from his holy mountain.
- <sup>5</sup> I lie down and sleep;  
I wake again, because the LORD sustains me.
- <sup>6</sup> I will not fear though tens of thousands  
assail me on every side.
- <sup>7</sup> Arise, LORD!  
Deliver me, my God!  
Strike all my enemies on the jaw;  
break the teeth of the wicked.
- <sup>8</sup> From the LORD comes deliverance.  
May your blessing be on your people.

**Psalm 4**

*For the director of music. With stringed instruments.  
A psalm of David.*

- <sup>1</sup> Answer me when I call to you,  
my righteous God.  
Give me relief from my distress;  
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- <sup>2</sup> How long will you people turn my glory into shame?  
How long will you love delusions and seek false  
gods?
- <sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD has set apart his faithful  
servant for himself;  
the LORD hears when I call to him.
- <sup>4</sup> Tremble and do not sin;  
when you are on your beds,  
search your hearts and be silent.
- <sup>5</sup> Offer the sacrifices of the righteous  
and trust in the LORD.
- <sup>6</sup> Many, LORD, are asking, “Who will bring us  
prosperity?”  
Let the light of your face shine on us.
- <sup>7</sup> Fill my heart with joy

when their grain and new wine abound.

- <sup>8</sup> In peace I will lie down and sleep,  
for you alone, LORD,  
make me dwell in safety.

**Psalm 5**

*For the director of music. For pipes. A psalm of David.*

- <sup>1</sup> Listen to my words, LORD,  
consider my lament.
- <sup>2</sup> Hear my cry for help,  
my King and my God,  
for to you I pray.
- <sup>3</sup> In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice;  
in the morning I lay my requests before you  
and wait expectantly.
- <sup>4</sup> For you are not a God who is pleased with wickedness;  
with you, evil people are not welcome.
- <sup>5</sup> The arrogant cannot stand  
in your presence.  
You hate all who do wrong;
- <sup>6</sup> you destroy those who tell lies.  
The bloodthirsty and deceitful  
you, LORD, detest.
- <sup>7</sup> But I, by your great love,  
can come into your house;  
in reverence I bow down  
toward your holy temple.
- <sup>8</sup> Lead me, LORD, in your righteousness  
because of my enemies —  
make your way straight before me.
- <sup>9</sup> Not a word from their mouth can be trusted;  
their heart is filled with malice.  
Their throat is an open grave;  
with their tongues they tell lies.
- <sup>10</sup> Declare them guilty, O God!  
Let their intrigues be their downfall.  
Banish them for their many sins,  
for they have rebelled against you.
- <sup>11</sup> But let all who take refuge in you be glad;  
let them ever sing for joy.  
Spread your protection over them,  
that those who love your name may rejoice in you.
- <sup>12</sup> Surely, LORD, you bless the righteous;  
you surround them with your favor as with a  
shield.



- David cries out, "LORD, how many are my \_\_\_\_\_!" (3:1)
- The Lord is a \_\_\_\_\_ around him. (3:3)
- The Lord is the One who lifts his \_\_\_\_\_ high. (3:3)
- The Lord answers David from his holy \_\_\_\_\_. (3:4)
- David wakes, because the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ him. (3:5)
- He calls out, "Deliver me, my God! Strike all my enemies on the \_\_\_\_\_." (3:7)
- From the Lord comes \_\_\_\_\_. (3:8)
- David prays, "Give me relief from my \_\_\_\_\_." (4:1)
- Offer the \_\_\_\_\_ of the righteous and trust in the Lord. (4:5)
- David says, "Let the \_\_\_\_\_ of your face shine on us." (4:6)
- "Fill my heart with \_\_\_\_\_ when their grain and new wine abound." (4:7)
- In peace David will lie down and \_\_\_\_\_. (4:8)
- David prays, "Listen to my words, LORD, consider my \_\_\_\_\_." (5:1)
- In the morning David lays his \_\_\_\_\_ before the Lord. (5:3)
- The Lord is not a God who is pleased with \_\_\_\_\_. (5:4)
- The arrogant cannot \_\_\_\_\_ in your presence. (5:5)
- David prays, "Lead me, LORD, in your \_\_\_\_\_." (5:8)

**Psalm 6**

*For the director of music. With stringed instruments. According to sheminith.  
A psalm of David.*

- <sup>1</sup>LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger  
or discipline me in your wrath.  
<sup>2</sup>Have mercy on me, LORD, for I am faint;  
heal me, LORD, for my bones are in  
agony.  
<sup>3</sup>My soul is in deep anguish.  
How long, LORD, how long?  
<sup>4</sup>Turn, LORD, and deliver me;  
save me because of your unfailing love.  
<sup>5</sup>Among the dead no one proclaims your  
name.  
Who praises you from the grave?  
<sup>6</sup>I am worn out from my groaning.  
All night long I flood my bed with  
weeping  
and drench my couch with tears.  
<sup>7</sup>My eyes grow weak with sorrow;  
they fail because of all my foes.  
<sup>8</sup>Away from me, all you who do evil,  
for the LORD has heard my weeping.  
<sup>9</sup>The LORD has heard my cry for mercy;  
the LORD accepts my prayer.  
<sup>10</sup>All my enemies will be overwhelmed  
with shame and anguish;  
they will turn back and suddenly be  
put to shame.

**Psalm 7**

*A shiggaion of David, which he sang to the  
LORD concerning Cush, a Benjamite.*

- <sup>1</sup>LORD my God, I take refuge in you;  
save and deliver me from all who  
pursue me,  
<sup>2</sup>or they will tear me apart like a lion  
and rip me to pieces with no one to  
rescue me.  
<sup>3</sup>LORD my God, if I have done this  
and there is guilt on my hands —  
<sup>4</sup>if I have repaid my ally with evil  
or without cause have robbed my foe —

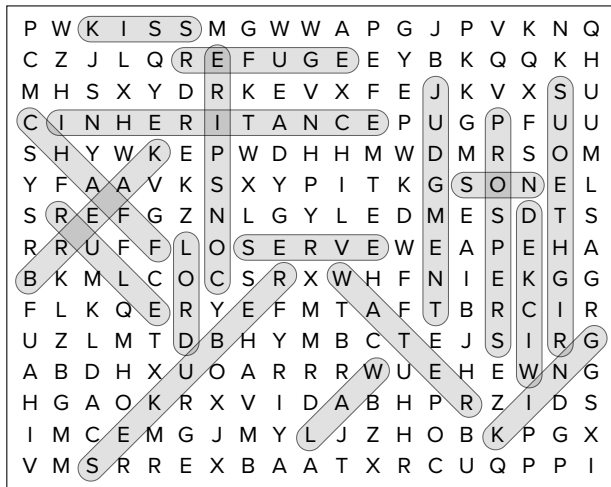
- <sup>5</sup>then let my enemy pursue and overtake  
me;  
let him trample my life to the ground  
and make me sleep in the dust.  
<sup>6</sup>Arise, LORD, in your anger;  
rise up against the rage of my  
enemies.  
Awake, my God; decree justice.  
<sup>7</sup>Let the assembled peoples gather  
around you,  
while you sit enthroned over them on  
high.  
<sup>8</sup>Let the LORD judge the peoples.  
Vindicate me, LORD, according to my  
righteousness,  
according to my integrity, O Most  
High.  
<sup>9</sup>Bring to an end the violence of the  
wicked  
and make the righteous secure —  
you, the righteous God  
who probes minds and hearts.  
<sup>10</sup>My shield is God Most High,  
who saves the upright in heart.  
<sup>11</sup>God is a righteous judge,  
a God who displays his wrath every  
day.  
<sup>12</sup>If he does not relent,  
he will sharpen his sword;  
he will bend and string his bow.  
<sup>13</sup>He has prepared his deadly weapons;  
he makes ready his flaming arrows.  
<sup>14</sup>Whoever is pregnant with evil  
conceives trouble and gives birth to  
disillusionment.  
<sup>15</sup>Whoever digs a hole and scoops it out  
falls into the pit they have made.  
<sup>16</sup>The trouble they cause recoils on them;  
their violence comes down on their  
own heads.  
<sup>17</sup>I will give thanks to the LORD because  
of his righteousness;  
I will sing the praises of the name of  
the LORD Most High.



- David prays, "LORD, do not \_\_\_\_\_ me in your anger." (6:1)
- "Heal me, LORD, for my bones are in \_\_\_\_\_." (6:2)
- "My soul is in deep \_\_\_\_\_." (6:3)
- "Turn, LORD, and \_\_\_\_\_ me; save me because of your unfailing love." (6:4)
- Among the \_\_\_\_\_ no one proclaims the Lord's name. (6:5)
- David floods his bed with \_\_\_\_\_." (6:6)
- His eyes grow weak with \_\_\_\_\_." (6:7)
- The Lord has heard David's cry for \_\_\_\_\_." (6:9)
- David prays, "LORD my God, I take \_\_\_\_\_ in you." (7:1)
- "They will \_\_\_\_\_ me apart like a lion and rip me to pieces." (7:2)
- "Arise, LORD, in your anger; rise up against the \_\_\_\_\_ of my enemies." (7:6)
- The righteous God probes minds and \_\_\_\_\_." (7:9)
- David's \_\_\_\_\_ is God Most High, who saves the upright in heart. (7:10)
- God is a \_\_\_\_\_ judge. (7:11)
- He will sharpen his \_\_\_\_\_." (7:12)
- He makes ready his flaming \_\_\_\_\_." (7:13)
- Whoever digs a hole falls into the \_\_\_\_\_ they have made. (7:15)
- The trouble they cause \_\_\_\_\_ on them. (7:16)
- David will sing the \_\_\_\_\_ of the name of the Lord Most High. (7:17)

# **ANSWER KEY**

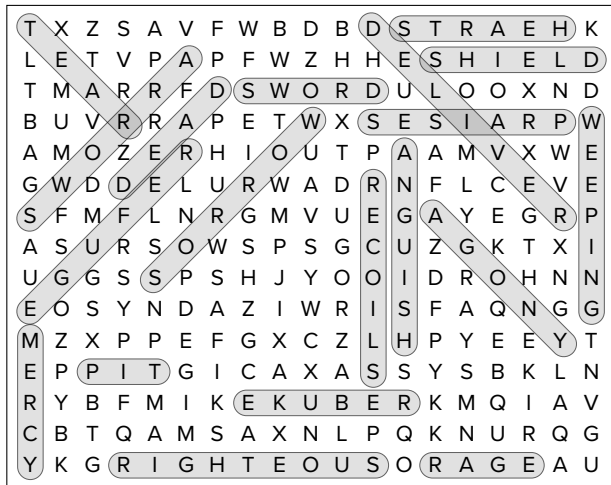
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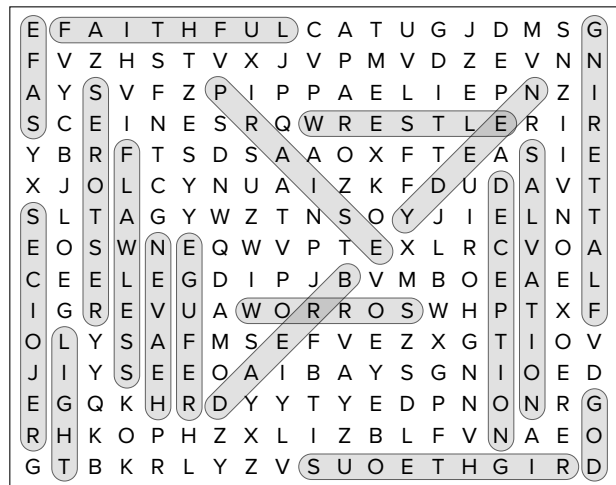
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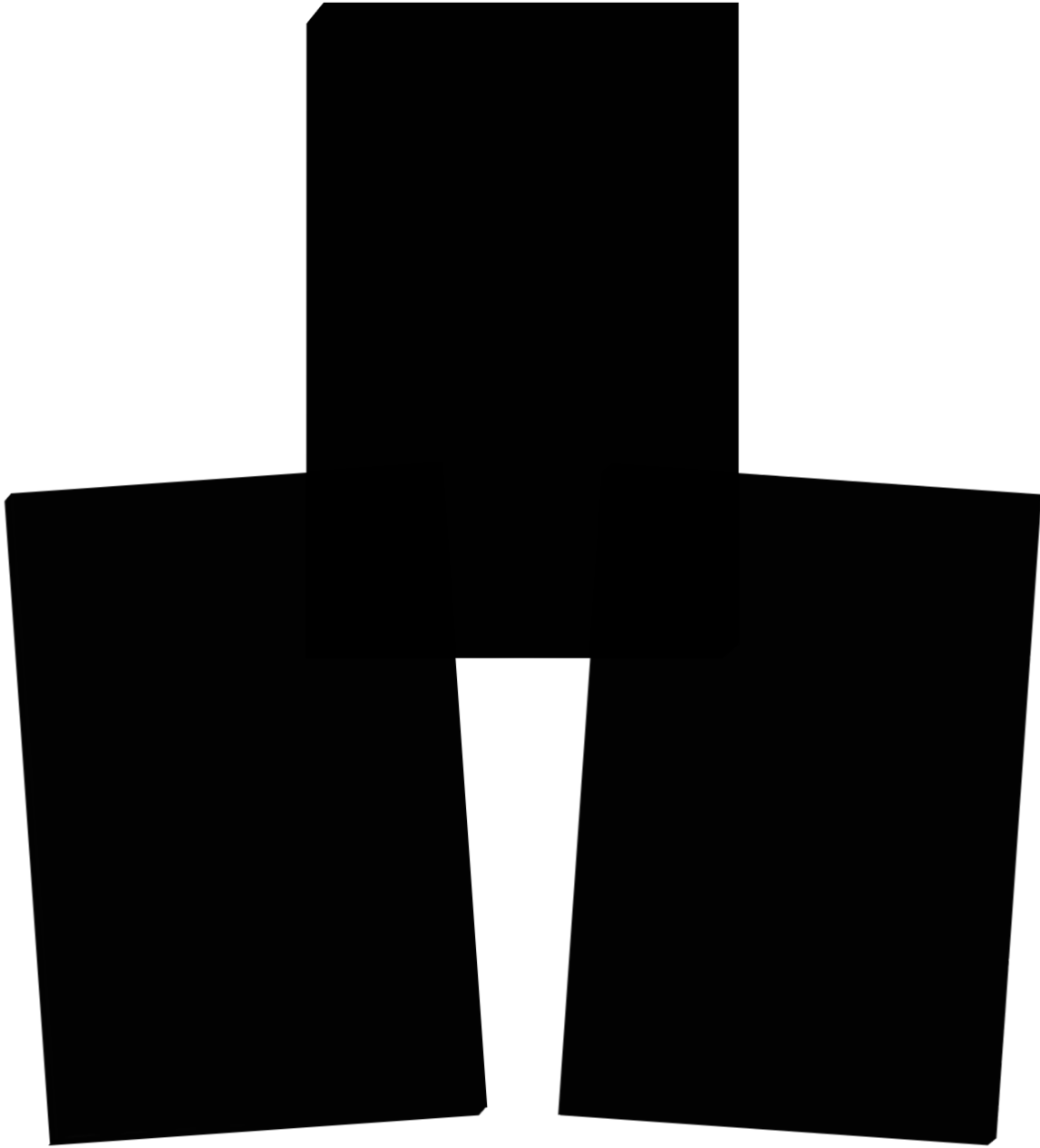


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