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1. Psalms—David’s Worship Hymnal for Israel, and for us. Psalms

- a. Personal (23) and penitent (51) Psalms strengthen our personal relationship with God.
- b. Praise (55) and thanksgiving (92) Psalms help us pray, adore and thank our Lord.
- c. Prophetic and Messianic Psalms (22, 110) help us know the eternal plan for our Christ.

“The Lord says to my Lord: ‘Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.’ ... The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, ‘You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.’ The Lord is at your right hand; he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath. He will execute judgment among the nations, filling them with corpses; he will shatter chiefs over the wide earth,” Psalm 110:1 ... 4-6

2. Proverbs and Ecclesiastes—Solomon’s Wisdom and Sermons. Prov., Eccls.

- a. Proverbs gives purposes for youth (1-9), godly v. wicked (10-24), and for others (25-31).
- b. *“Train up a child,”* is on teaching children (22). And another on godly women (31).
- c. Ecclesiastes means “teaching” with Solomon sharing his wisdom and fear (Eccls).

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it,” ... “Folly is bound up in the heart of a child, but the rod of discipline drives it far from him,” ... “The words of the wise are like goads, and like nails firmly fixed are the collected sayings; they are given by one Shepherd. My son, beware of anything beyond these. Of making many books there is no end, and much study is a weariness of the flesh. The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil,” Prov. 22:6 ... 15 ... Eccls. 12:11-14

3. Song of Solomon—Solomon’s Love Song and Marriage Prophecy. Song of Sol.

- a. Solomon sings of falling in love (1-2). The bride Israel/Church sought her groom (3).
- b. Groom Yahweh/Christ is to be wed, the bride is praised and married (4-5).
- c. Once married, they first struggle in love (5:2-7:10), and then grow in love (7:11-8).

“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.” ... “Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb,” Rev. 21:1-2 ... 9

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