

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

07-09-2023 // WEEK 27 NOTES

This past week, you've finished **Psalms 32 - 69**.

Here is the next section of our journey through the Bible. Remember that the **psalms are divided into five books**. Its different authors are identified at the top of the psalm, unless it's not known. **Psalm 69** is toward the end of book two, with most of these psalms being written by David. Lament and despair dominate the themes of these psalms. Last week we covered much of Book 1 (**Psalms 1-41**) and this week we've moved into Book 2 (**Psalms 42-72**).

- **Psalms 32 - 69:** Here, in this section, you have the first introduction of the books from the **sons of Korah**. This is fascinating, for Korah led a rebellion against Moses. He and 250 of his followers were judged and destroyed by God for their rebellion. **Yet here we see God's grace**. Some sons of Korah must have continued to live. Their future progeny and generations must have become song writers and worship leaders. **God is always able to take our sin and work it for good!**
- **Psalm 50** is a single psalm from Asaph. We don't know much about him except he wrote a few psalms and they were included in this collection.
- **Psalms 51-65** are further **Davidic psalms**, including a good number that are historical in value from David's life (**Psalms 51-52, 54, 56-57, 59-60**). These psalms come alive when placed against the backdrop of what is going on in David's life at that time. You also read several psalms of lament and despair like in Book 1. Some think **Psalms 42-43** were one psalm, separated to give us 150 exactly. **Psalm 44** is one of the few that are truly communal in nature.

Read them through the lenses of your own personal hurts and despair. Through your own pain and hope for God to come through for you. It's quite okay to have times of lament. David especially did. And God always reminds him (and us) to trust him in the end. **Where else can we go?**

David