

Book of Psalms



Knowing and Getting Close to God

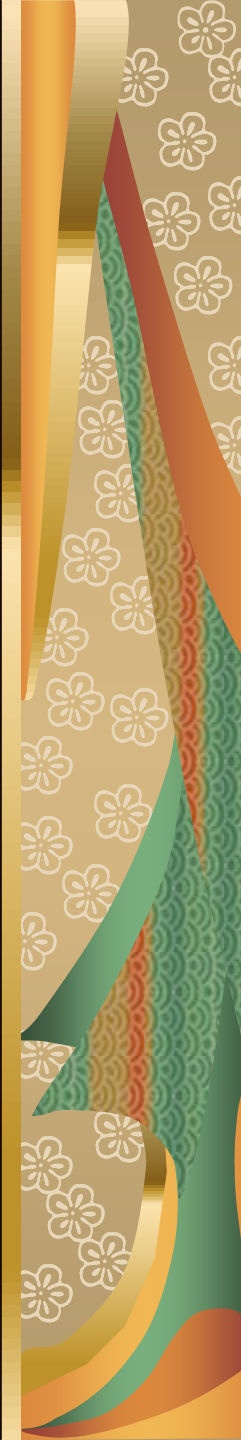


Introduction

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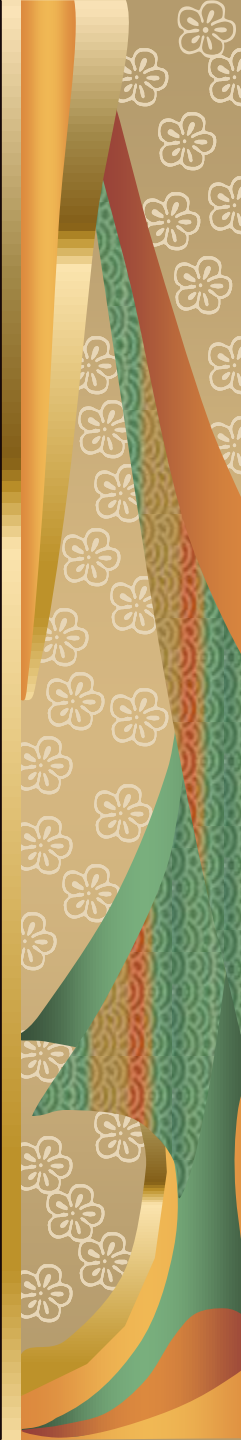
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
Introduction

- A Psalm is a song of praise.
- Most of the Psalms were written by David.
- II Samuel 23:1
- David is called “The sweet psalmist of Israel.”



How Important Is Music to God

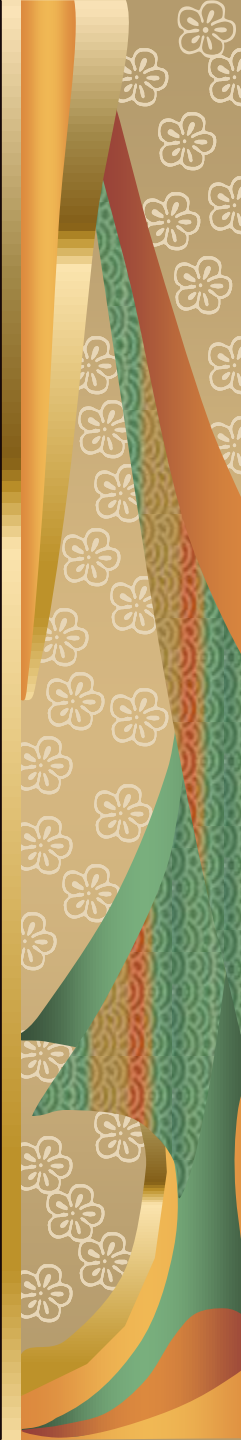
 I Chronicles 15:16

 David established worship with singing and musical instruments to glorify God

 I Chronicles 16:7-9


 David used music to praise and thank the Lord

 “David was a man after God’s own heart”



Psalm 1:1

 “Blessed is the man”

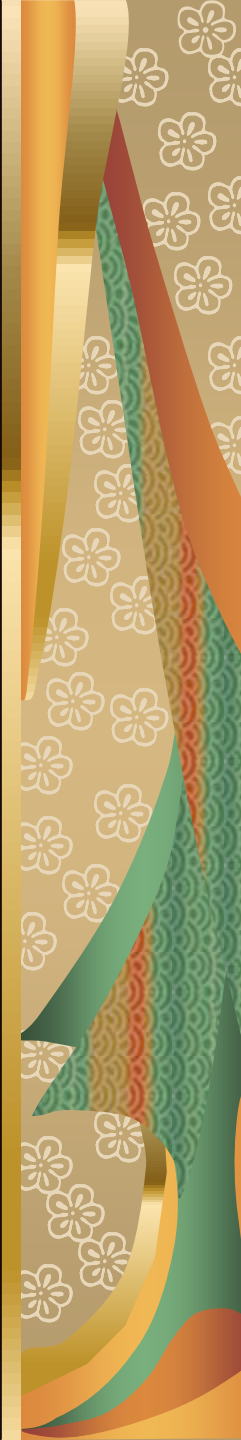
 “That walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly” (worldly wise)



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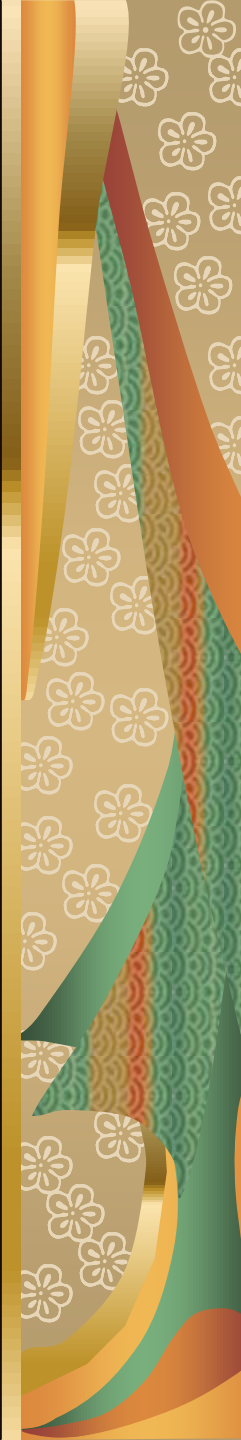
■ “Nor standeth in the way of sinners” (the company you keep can defile)

■ “Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful” (don’t fellowship with bitter, negative people, as it will rub off on you)



Psalm 10:3-4

- “The wicked boasts of his hearts desire.”
- “And blesses the covetous.” (those keeping up with the Jones)
- “The wicked through pride will not seek after God.”
- “God is not in all his thoughts.”



Psalm 14:1

- “The fool hath said in his heart there is no God.”
- What if it is a Ph.D. who says there is no God?
- Education provides knowledge, but true wisdom comes from God.
- One can be an educated fool.



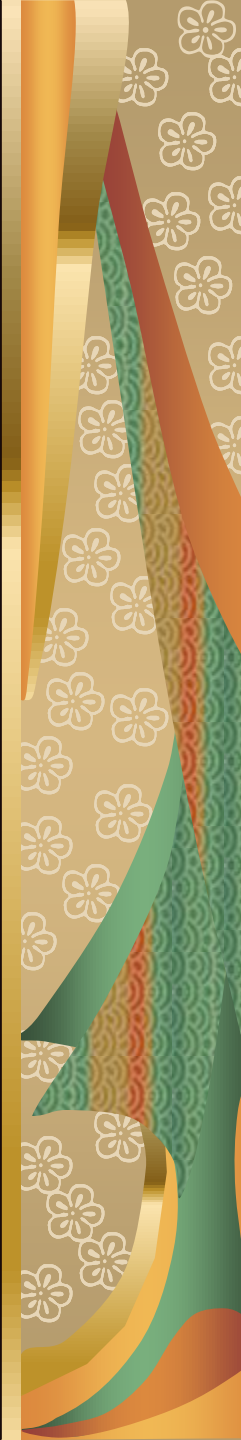
Psalm 19:7-11

■ “The law of the Lord is perfect”

■ “Converting the soul”

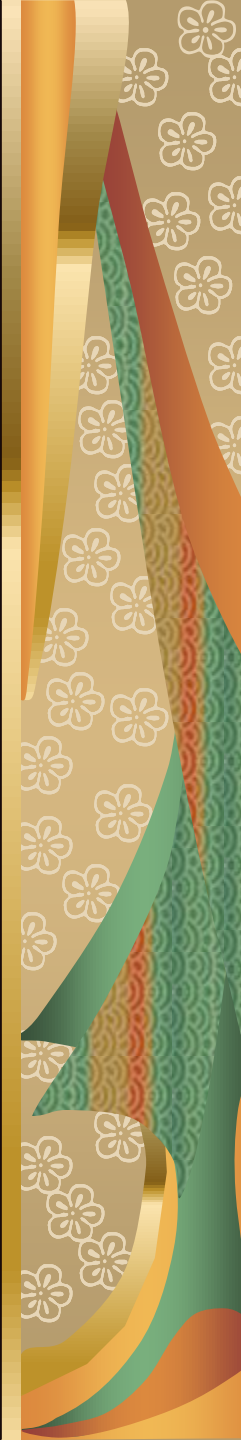
■ “The testimony of the Lord is sure”

■ “Making wise the simple”



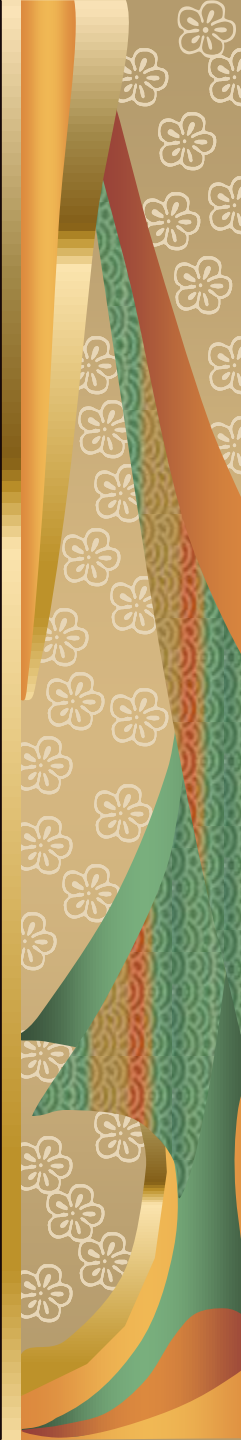
Psalm 25:14

- “The secret of the Lord”
- “Is with them that fear him.”
- “And he will show them his covenant.”



Psalm 31:19

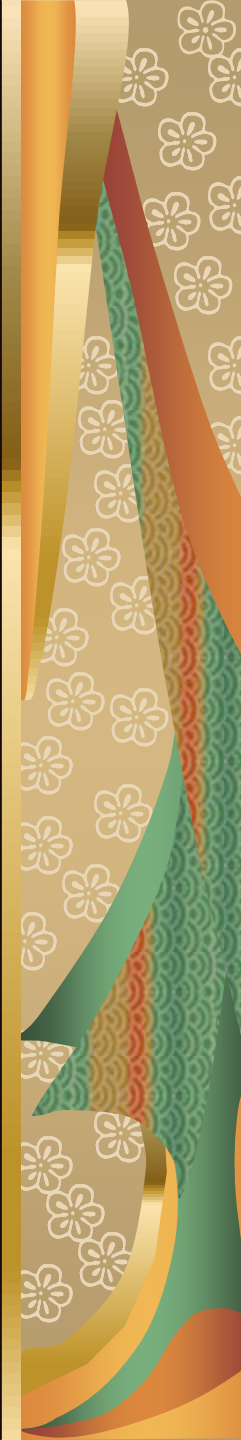
- “Oh, how great is thy goodness which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee;”
- “For them that trust in thee before the sons of men.”



Psalm 32:5

 “I acknowledged my sin unto thee”

 “And my iniquity have I not hid.”



Psalm 32:5

■ “I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.” (I John 1:9) (church altar)

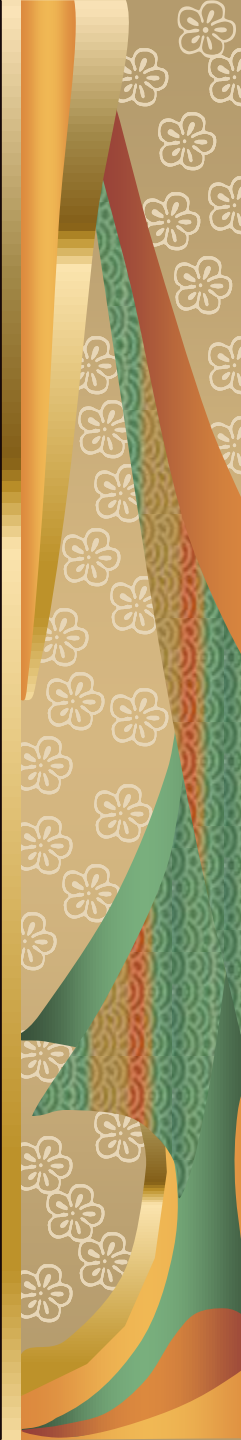
■ Selah

■ A musical rest, for a time of meditation or reflection.



Difference Between Iniquity and Sin

- Iniquity - lack of holiness; depravity.
- Sin – doing that which is contrary to God’s word or failing to do that which God tells you to do.
- We are born in iniquity (with the sin nature. All of our lives we choose to sin or not to sin).



Psalm 33:6-9

■ “By the word of the Lord”

■ “Were the heavens made”

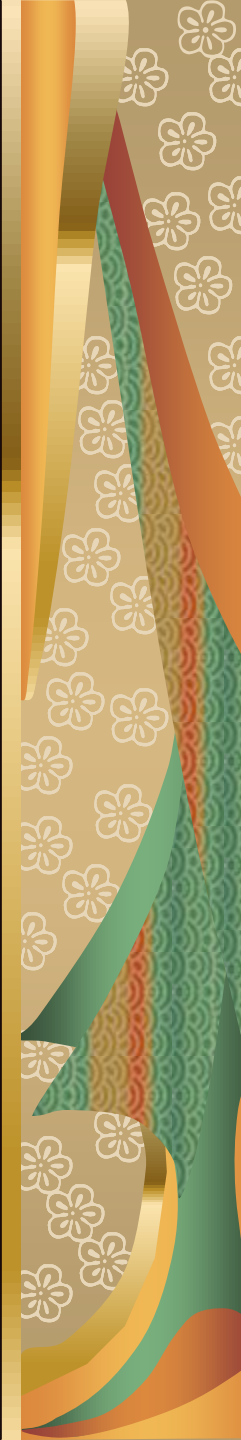
■ “He gathered the oceans”

■ “Let all the earth fear the Lord”

■ “Let all the inhabitants of the world stand
in awe of him ”

■ “For he spake at it was done”

■ “He commanded and it stood fast.”



He Needed A Wife

■ Bob Montgomery

■ Wanted to marry Ruth, but terribly bashful

■ Couldn't bring himself to propose to her

■ Wrote out this verse and gave it to her:



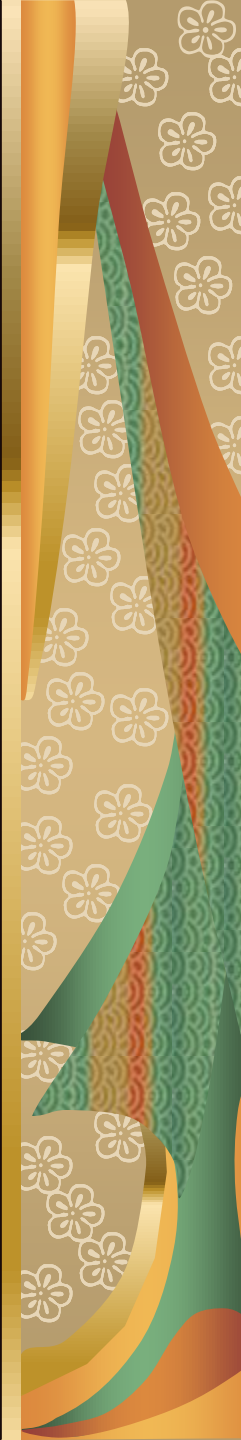
He Needed A Wife

■ Psalm 34:3

■ O magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt his name together.

■ She said yes.

■ Missionaries for many years to Pakistan.



Psalm 34:19

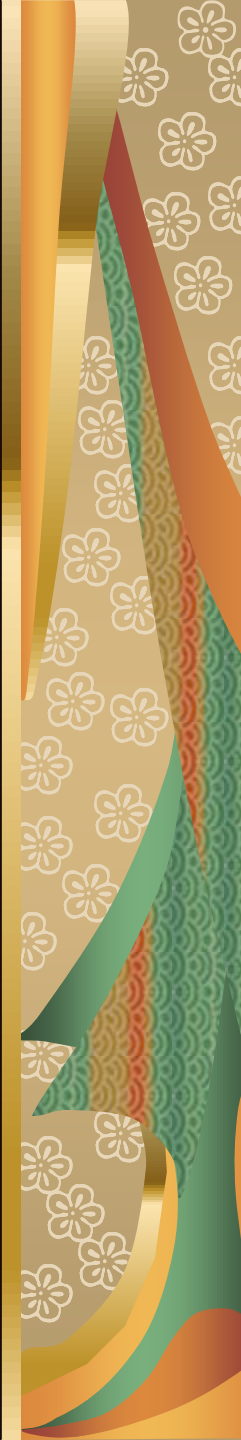
■ It is not easy being a missionary.

■ It is not easy being a Godly Christian.

■ Psalm 34:19

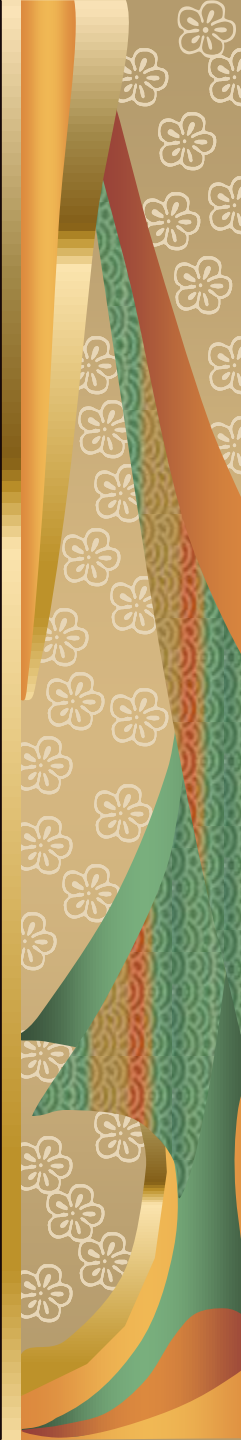
■ Many are the afflictions of the righteous.

■ But the Lord delivereth him out of them all.



Psalm 37:7

- Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him.
- Fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way.
- Because of the man that bringeth wicked devices to pass.
- Hugh Hefner, Casino winners, et al



Psalm 37:8

■ “Cease from anger” (you can cease or God would not tell you to. Anger is not something you inherited – it is sin)


■ “Forsake wrath”

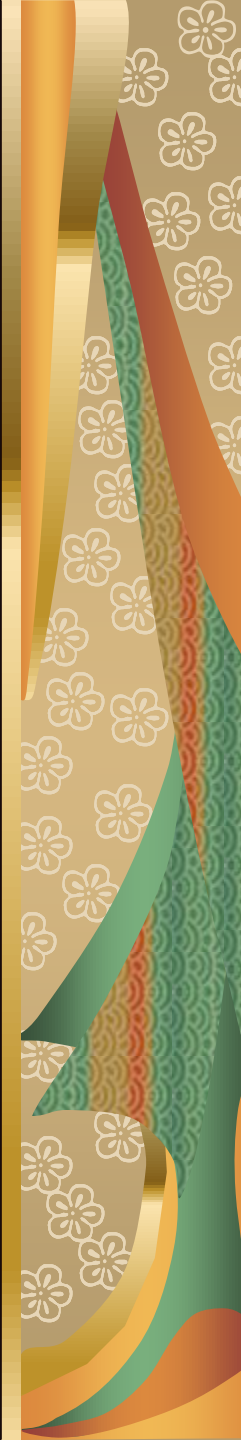
■ “Fret not thyself in any way to do evil.”

■ “Anger results in lots of evil. Putting away anger puts away other evil.”



Psalm 37:16

 “A little that a righteous man has is better than the riches of many wicked.”



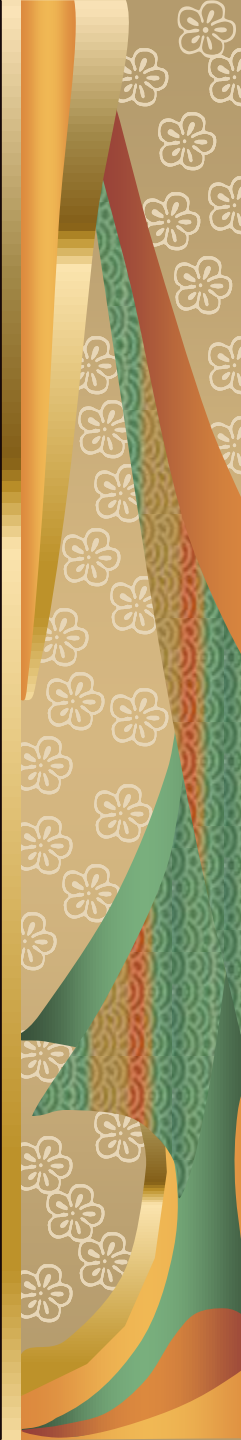
Psalm 37:28

Most Christian denominations believe that you can lose your salvation.

Psalm 37:28

“For the Lord loveth judgment”

This past month, three young men were found guilty of beating to death “The Tuba Man”. Sentence 9-18 months each.

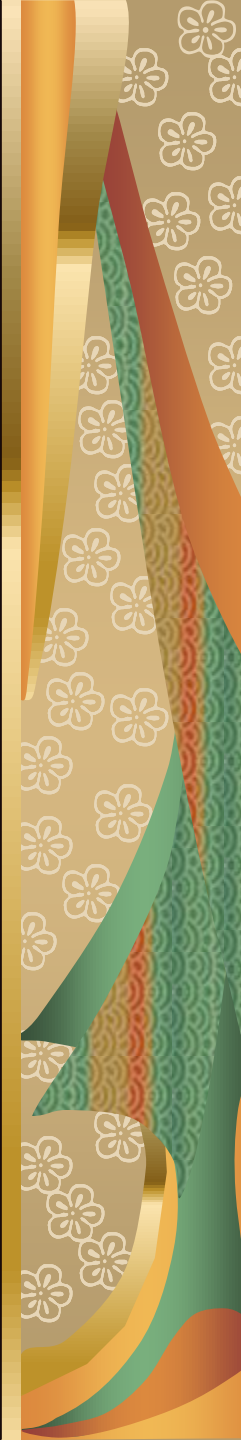


Psalm 37:28

■ “And forsaketh not his saints”

■ “They are preserved forever”
(eternal security)

■ “But the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.”



Psalm 39:4

“Lord, make me to know mine end”

“The measure of my days”

“What it is”

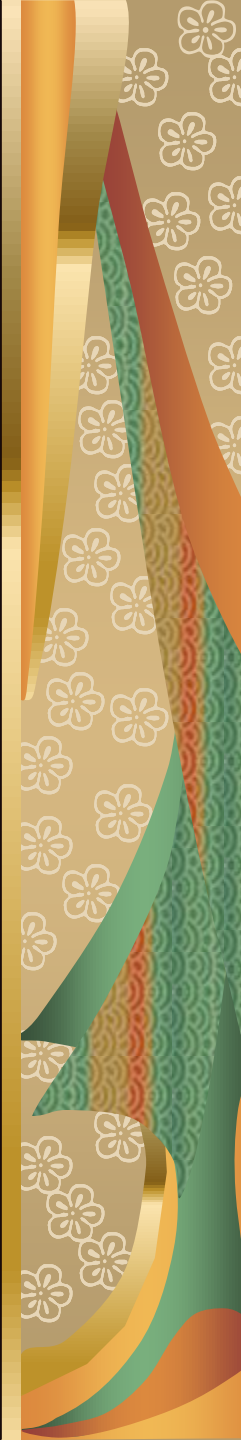
“That I may know how frail I am.”



Psalm 41:1

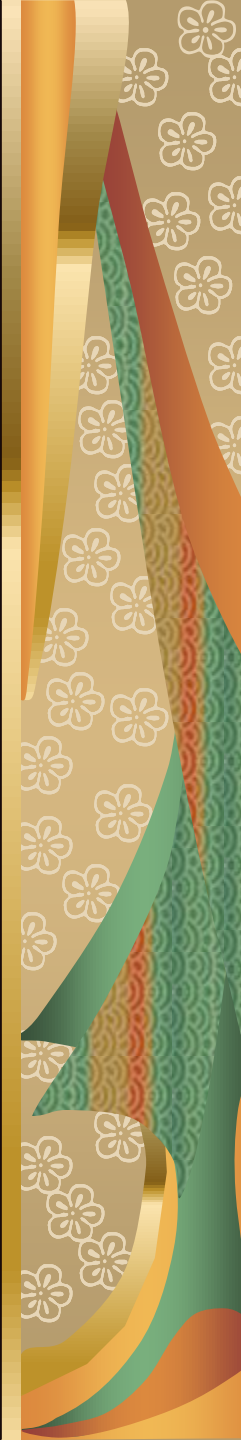
 “Blessed is he that considereth the poor;”

 “The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.”



Psalm 42:10

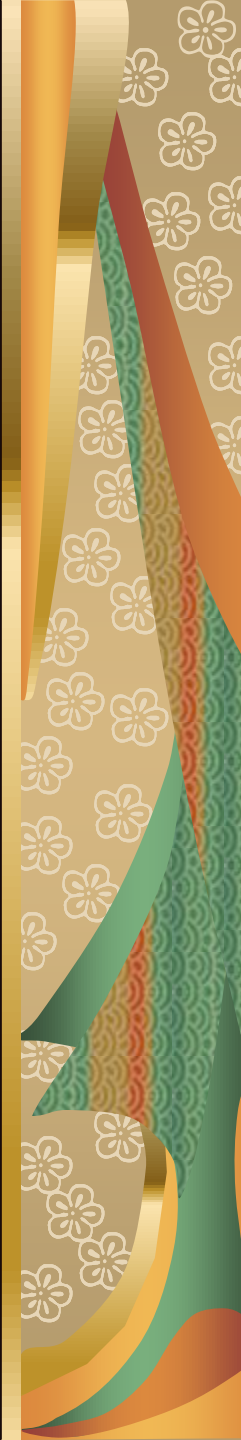
- “As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me”
- “While they say unto me, Where is thy God?”



Psalm 49:15-17

“But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave:”

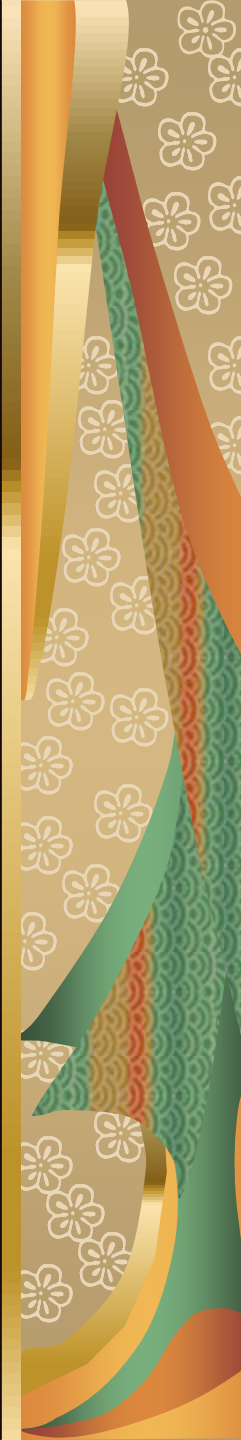
“For he will receive me. Selah”



Psalm 49:15-17

“Be not afraid when one is made rich,
when the glory of his house is increased;”

“For when he dieth, he shall take nothing
away: his glory shall not ascend after
him.”



Psalm 55:15-16

“Let death seize upon them and let them go down quick into hell: for wickedness is in there dwellings, and among them.”


“Is there any wickedness in your dwelling?”

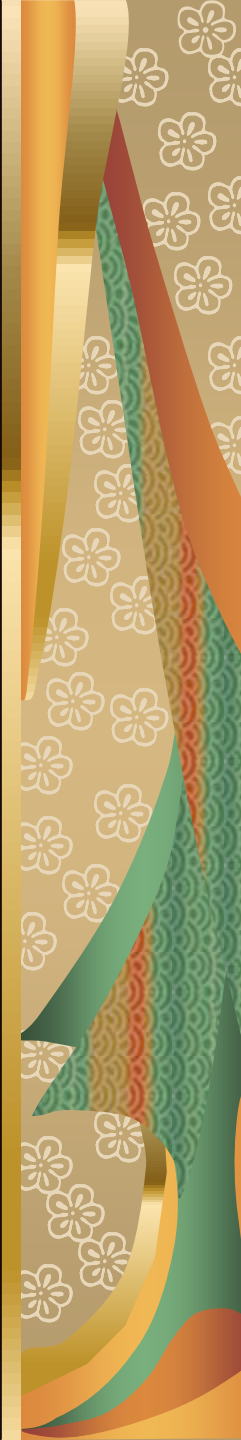
“Is hell real?”



A Terrifying Bible Verse

 Psalm 81:11-12

 “But my people would not hearken to my voice;”

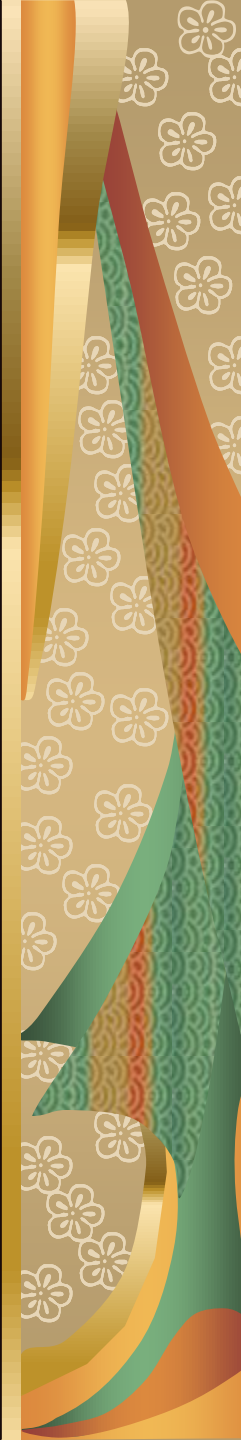


A Terrifying Bible Verse

■ “And Israel would none of me.”

■ “So I gave them up unto their own hearts lust;”

■ “And they walked in their own counsels”
(not according to the Bible).




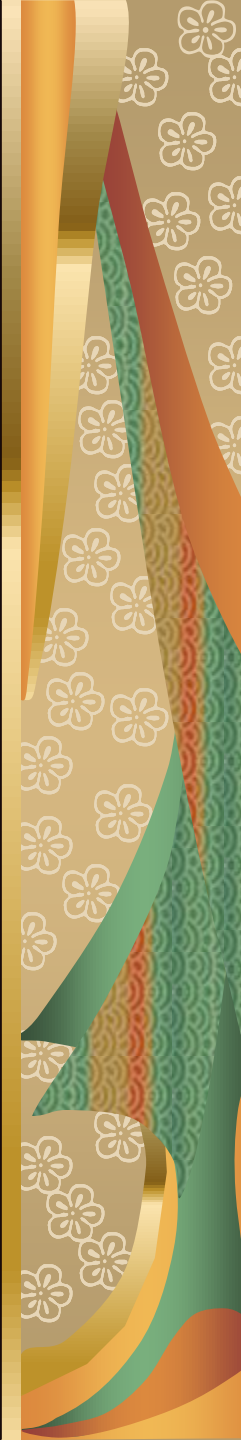
You Like Frogs?

- Egyptians worshipped many animals
- The Egyptian goddess of fertility was called Hekt, or Hekt. Egyptians wore amulets shaped like tadpoles to increase size of families.
- Frog - Because of the abundance of frogs near the Nile, the hieroglyphic sign for "one hundred thousand" was a tadpole.



Psalm 90:10

 “The days of our years are three score years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off and we fly away.”

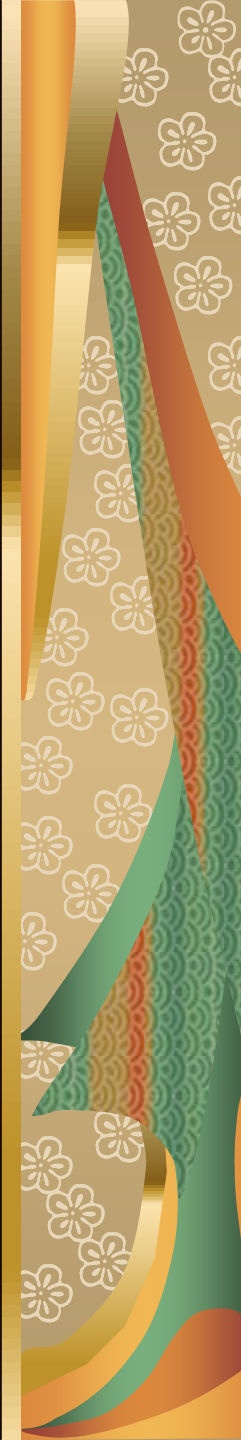


Psalm 92:1-5

Vs 1 – “It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High.”

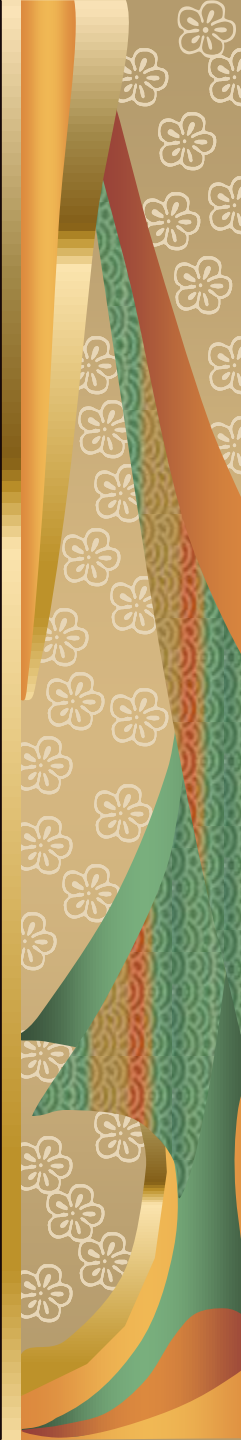
Vs 3 – “For thou Lord hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands.”

Vs 5 – “O Lord, how great our thy works! And thy thoughts are very deep.”





Psalm 102:11-12

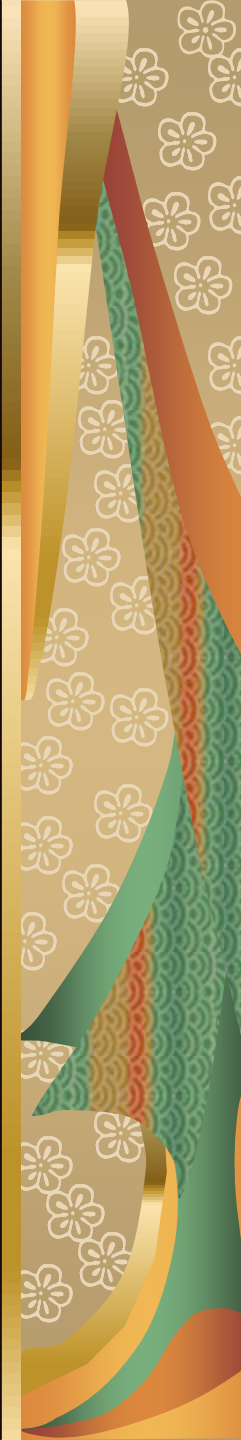
- “My days are like a shadow that declineth; and I am withered as grass.”
- “None of the 6 earths Billion will be around in 150 years from now.”



Psalm 102:11-12

 “But thou O Lord shall endureth for ever
...”

 “When you have the eternal one in your
heart, you do not have to worry about
your shadow declining or your body
withering.”



Psalm 103:13

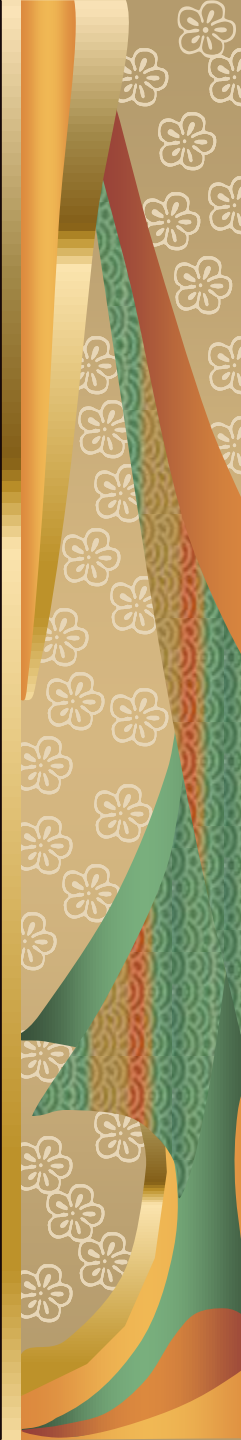
“Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him.”

“For those who are feeling the effects of aging and are worrying, sad or discouraged, hang in there. God knows and is waiting to welcome us home soon.”



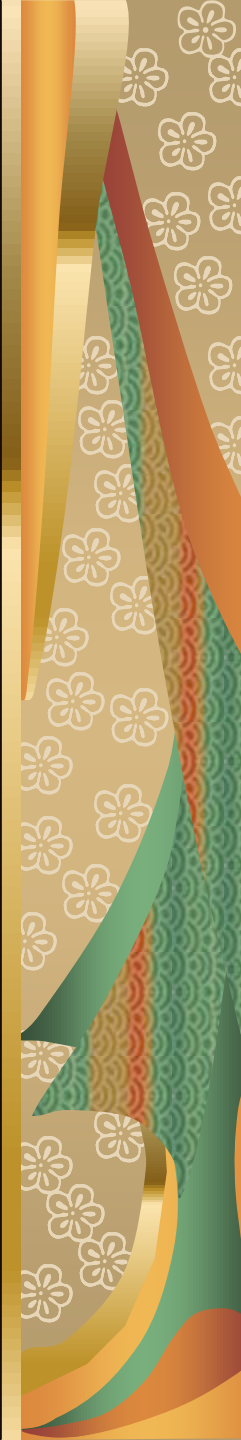
Psalm 104:5-6

- David lived over 2000 years after the Flood.
- How did he know about it?



Psalm 104:5-6

- Why would he sing about it?
- Because godly fundamentalists passed down God's work unashamedly. They were not Theistic Evolutionists.
- Biblical creationism is truth, no matter how many Christians go against it.



Psalm 105:15

- “...Touch not my anointed, and do my prophets no harm.”
- How should we treat pastors, missionaries and evangelists?



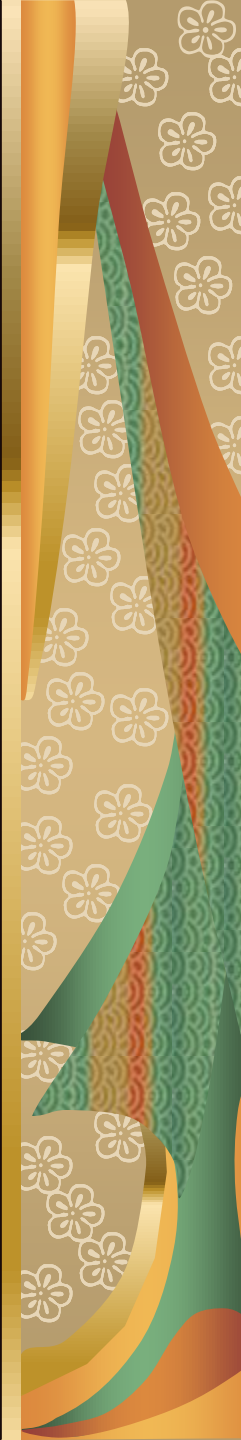
Interesting Fact

 Central verse in the Bible is Psalm 118:8

 594 verses before Psalm 118:8

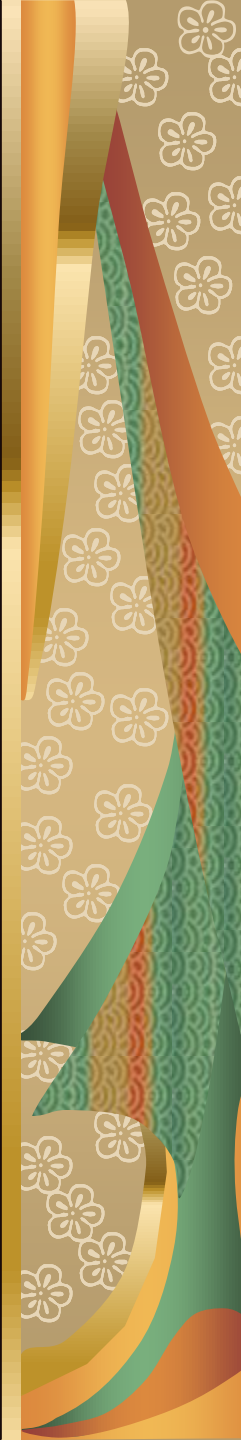
 594 verses after Psalm 118:8

 Add 594 and 594, you get 1188




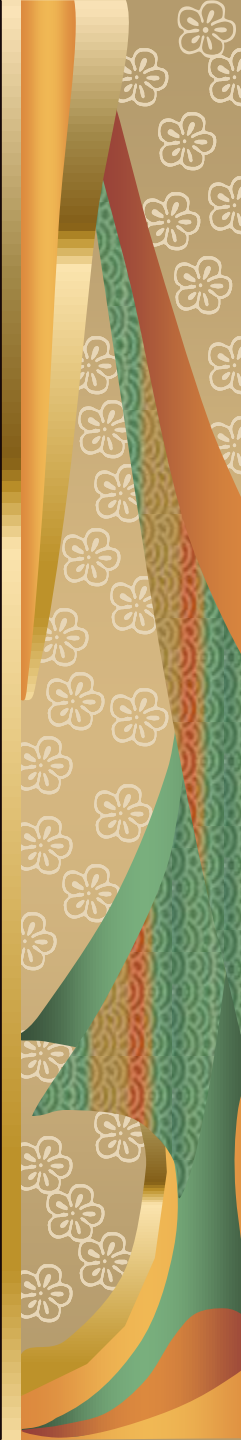
Psalm 118:8

- It is better to put trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man.
- Friends will let you down.
- Family will let you down.
- Political leaders will disappoint.
- Jesus never fails.



Psalm 119:11

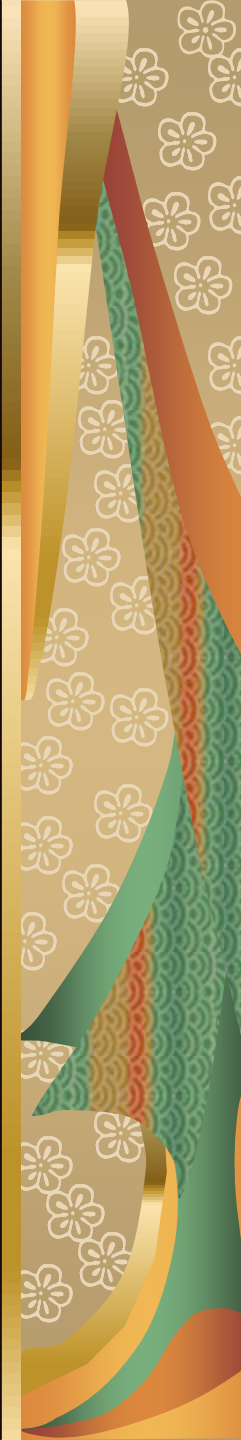
 “Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee.”



Psalm 126:5-6

“They that sow in tears, shall reap in joy.”

“He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.”



Psalm 133:6

 “Behold”

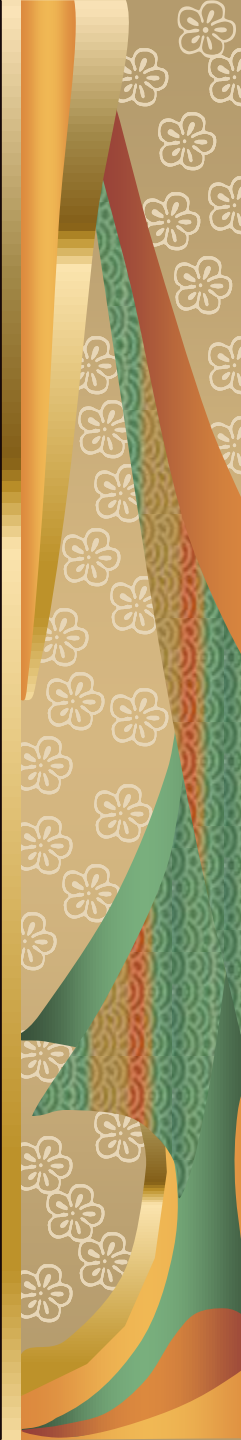
 “How good and how pleasant”

 “It is for brethren to dwell together in
unity!”





Psalm 139:20

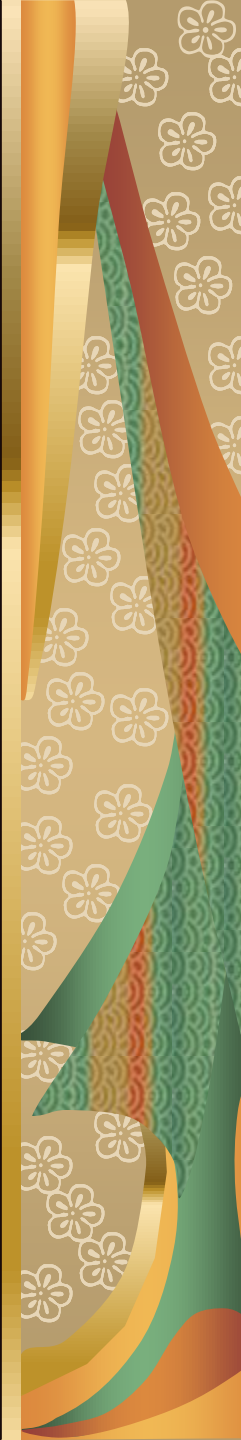
- “For they speak against thee wickedly”
(How could a loving God let this happen?)
- “And thine enemies take thy name in vain” (When you hear a person use the Lord’s name in vain, you know where they stand – God’s enemy)




Psalm 147:11

 “The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear Him” (Who know his word, reverence his word, and do not want to sin.)

 “The Lord takes pleasure in them that hope in his mercy.” (the hope that lieth in us that we do have eternal life)



Psalm 147:11

 I am getting old, my body is falling apart,
my memory is going, but I have Hope —
God is waiting to take me in.

