

### **Aquifer Open Study Notes (Book Intro Summaries)**

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### Psalms

The Book of Psalms

#### *Purpose*

1. To offer praise and prayer to God
2. To supply God's people with texts for worship
3. To reflect on God's sovereignty (the power and authority to rule) and some of life's most difficult questions

#### *Author*

Various; nearly half are linked with David

#### *Date*

Written over many centuries. The process of collecting and editing was likely completed after the Babylonian exile

#### *Setting*

Varied, but a setting after the Babylonian exile accounts for much of the editorial activity and grouping of the psalms