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# Oaks Early Risers Bible Class

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## Psalms: Songs for New Creation Hearts

Psalm 1, 51:1-5, 100, 110

### Psalm 1: Delighting in God's Word

1 How happy is the man who does not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path of sinners, or join a group of mockers! 2 **Instead, his delight is in the Lord's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night (Ps 112:1-9).** 3 He is like a tree planted beside streams of water that bears its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers. 4 The wicked are not like this; instead, they are like chaff that the wind blows away. 5 Therefore the wicked will not survive the judgment, and sinners will not be in the community of the righteous. 6 For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to ruin.

Scriptural Cross-References

Ps 112:1-9

Matthew 4:4

### Psalm 51:1-5: Confessing Our Sin

1 Be gracious to me, God, according to Your faithful love; according to Your abundant compassion, blot out my rebellion. 2 Wash away my guilt, and cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I am conscious of my rebellion, and my sin is always before me. 4 **Against You—You alone—I have sinned and done this evil in Your sight (1 John 1:5-10).** So You are right when You pass sentence; You are blameless when You judge. 5 Indeed, I was guilty when I was born; I was sinful when my mother conceived me.

Scriptural Cross-References

1 John 1:5-10

Romans 8:30

### Psalm 100: Celebrating God's Character and Work

1 Shout triumphantly to the Lord, all the earth. 2 Serve the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. 3 Acknowledge that the Lord is God. He made us, and we are His— His people, the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him and praise His name. 5 **For the Lord is good, and His love is eternal; His faithfulness endures through all generations (Deut 7:7-8; 1 Cor 1:8-9).**

Scriptural Cross-References

Deuteronomy 7:7-8

1 Corinthians 1:8-9

### Psalm 110: Hoping in the Messiah's Victory

1 The Lord declared to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand until I make Your enemies Your footstool." 2 The Lord will extend Your mighty scepter from Zion. Rule over Your surrounding enemies. 3 Your people will volunteer on Your day of battle. In holy splendor, from the womb of the dawn, the dew of Your youth belongs to You. 4 The Lord has sworn an oath and will not take it back: "Forever, You are a priest like Melchizedek." 5 The Lord is at Your right hand; He will crush kings on the day of His anger. 6 **He will judge the nations, heaping up corpses; He will crush leaders over the entire world (Rev 19:11-21).** 7 He will drink from the brook by the road; therefore, He will lift up His head.

Scriptural Cross-References

Revelation 19:11-21

Psalms 119:136

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QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

In what ways can you prioritize reading God's Word in your daily schedule? How important is it to read the Bible with your family? With your church?

What are some of the excuses we give to justify our sins? In what ways do we seek to blame others for our sins?

Psalm 100 talks about heart attitudes again: Don't just come, come with joy. But what if we're not feeling joy? Do we talk ourselves into it? What should we do when we know our heart should respond in praise and joy but instead we seem cold to God's truth?

In what ways do the psalms help form our prayers so that our hearts' desires align with God's heart?

**SERIES: God's Story - Part 1**

**NEXT WEEK**

*Wisdom: Its Role in the Lives of God's People*

- Proverbs 1:7
- Song of Songs 6:3
- Job 1:20-21
- Ecclesiastes 12:13-14