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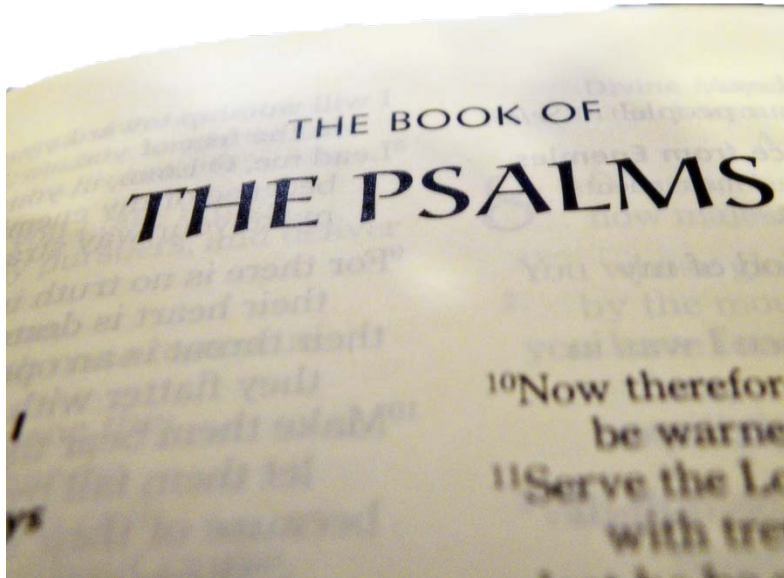
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## Psalm Forms

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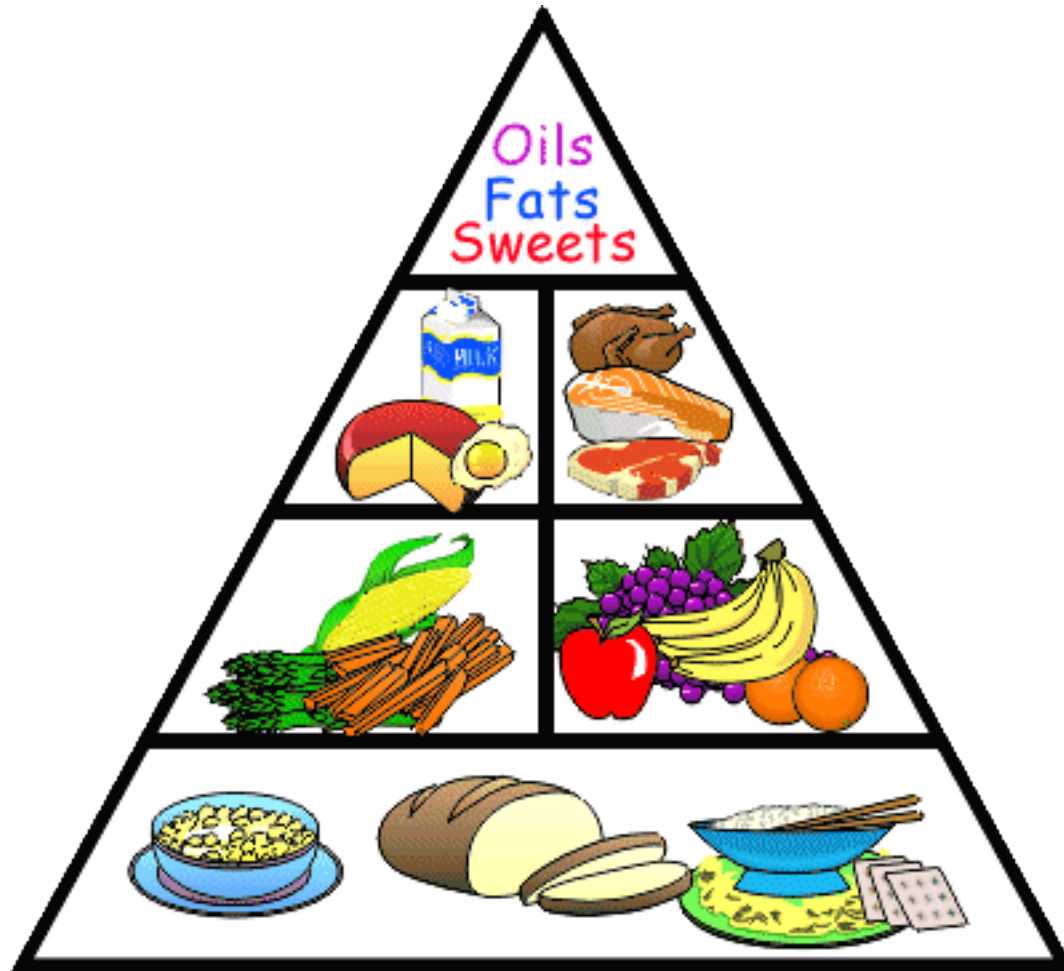


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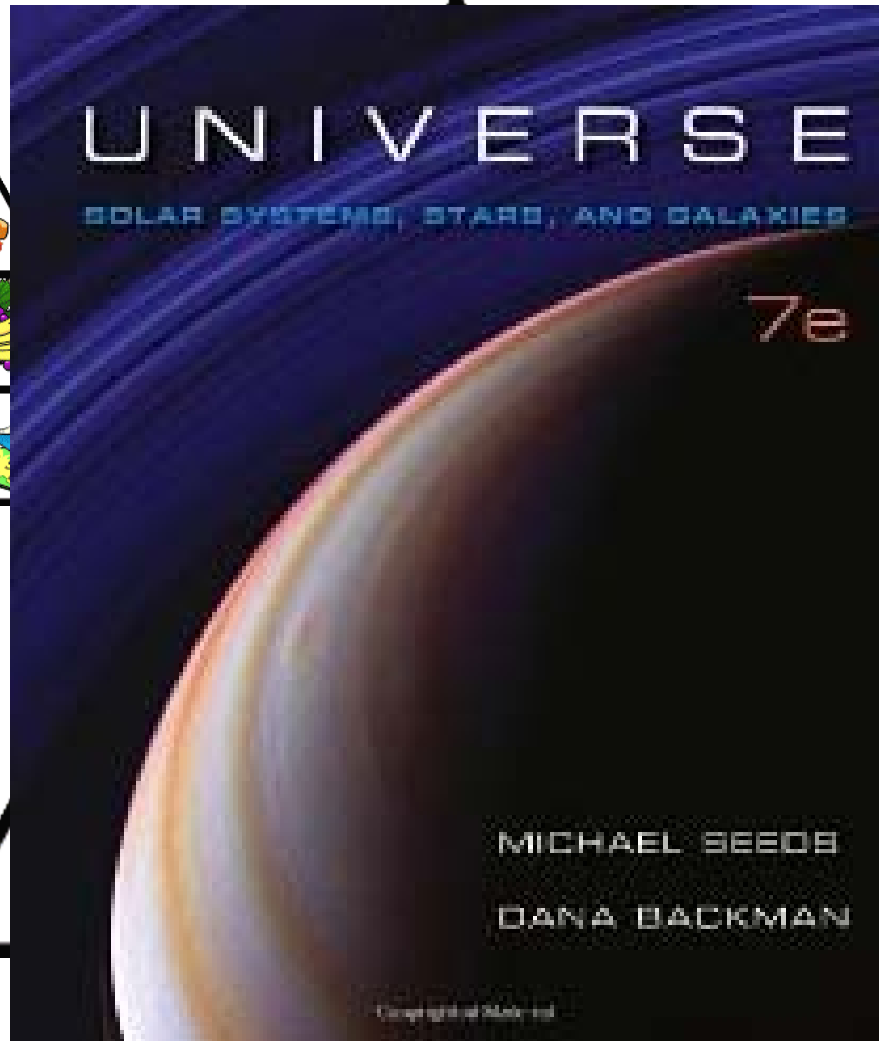
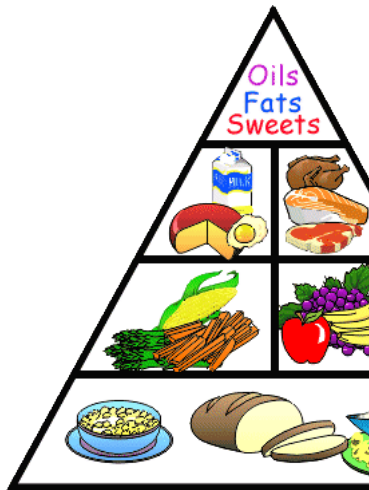
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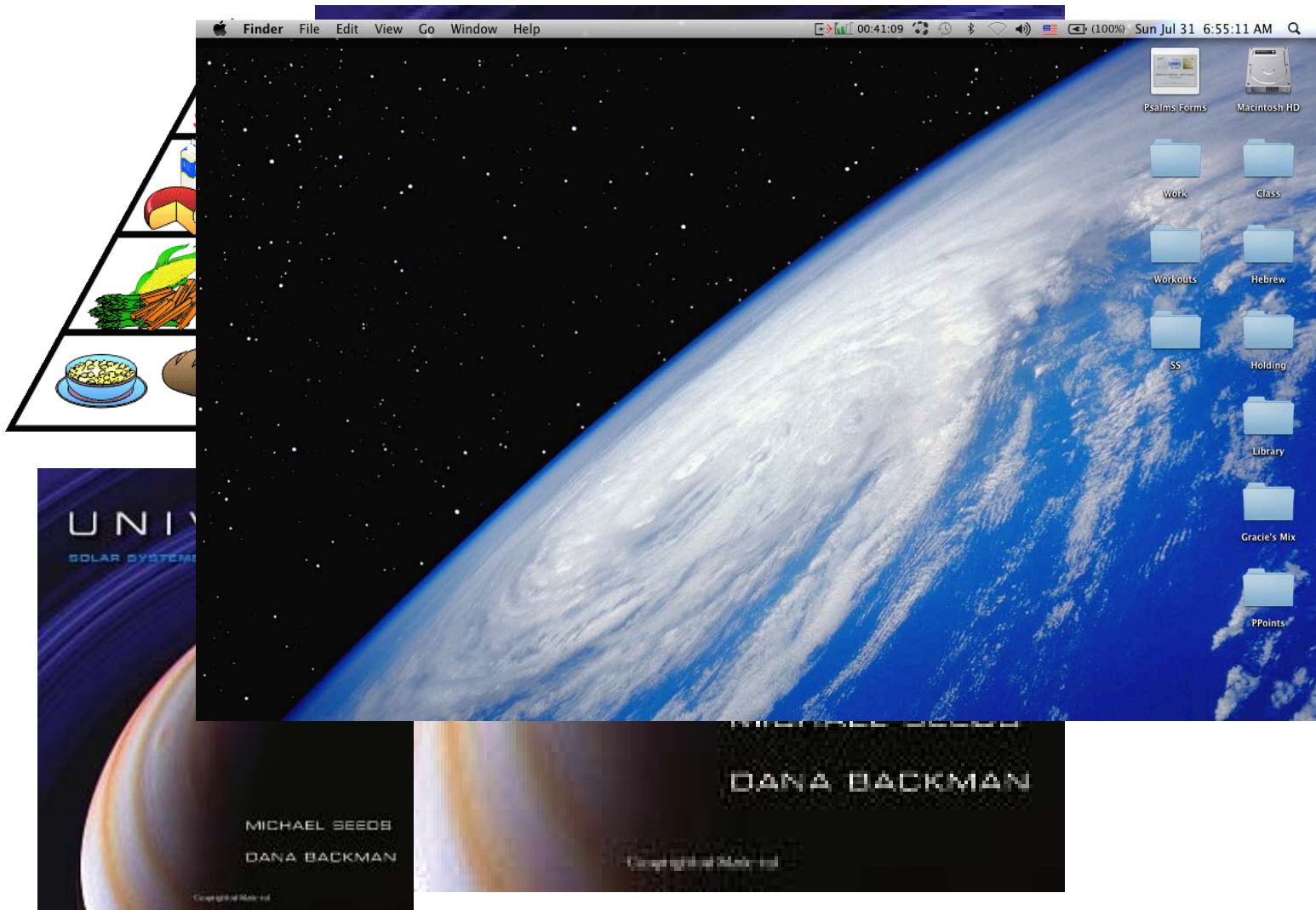
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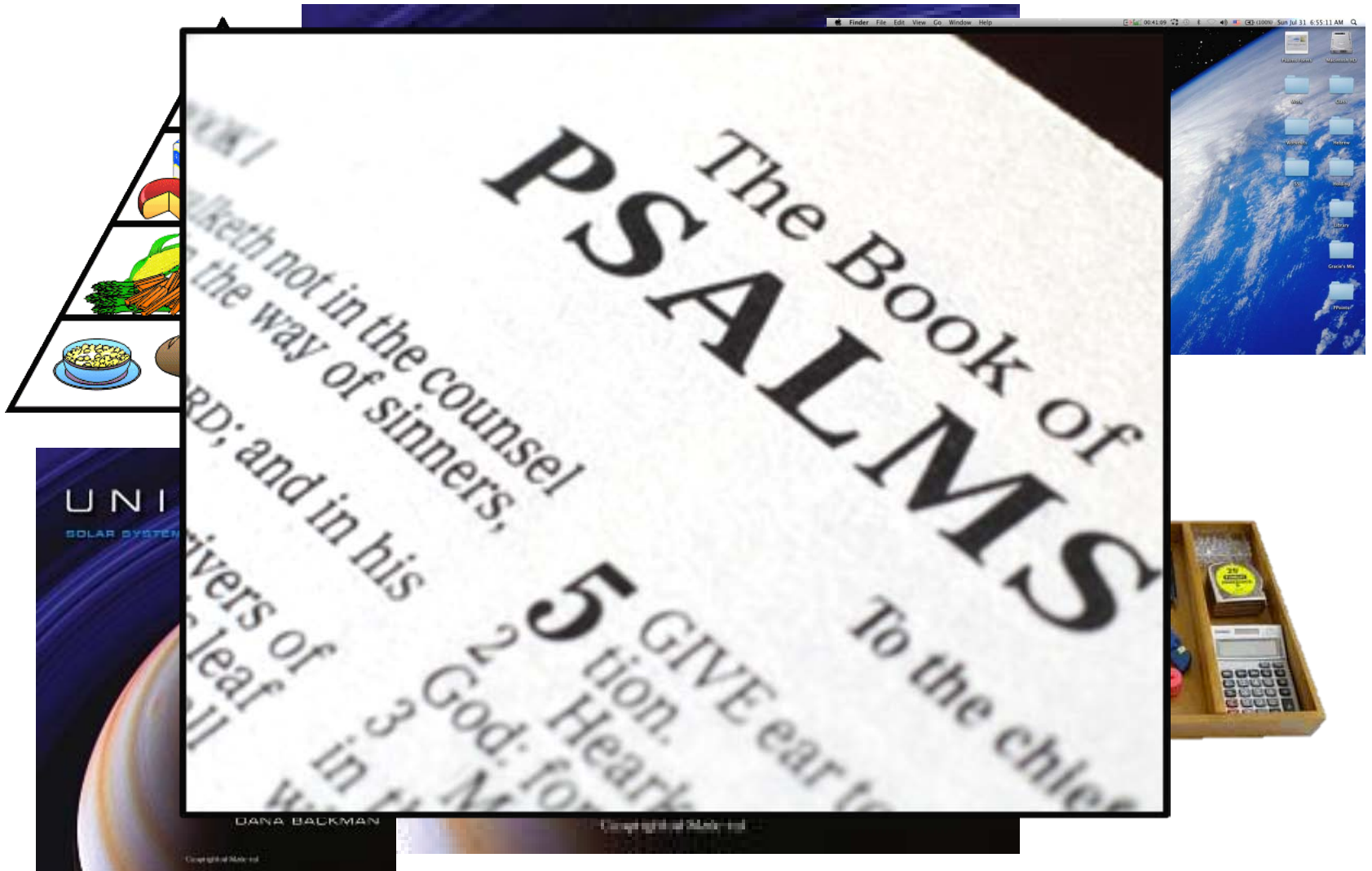
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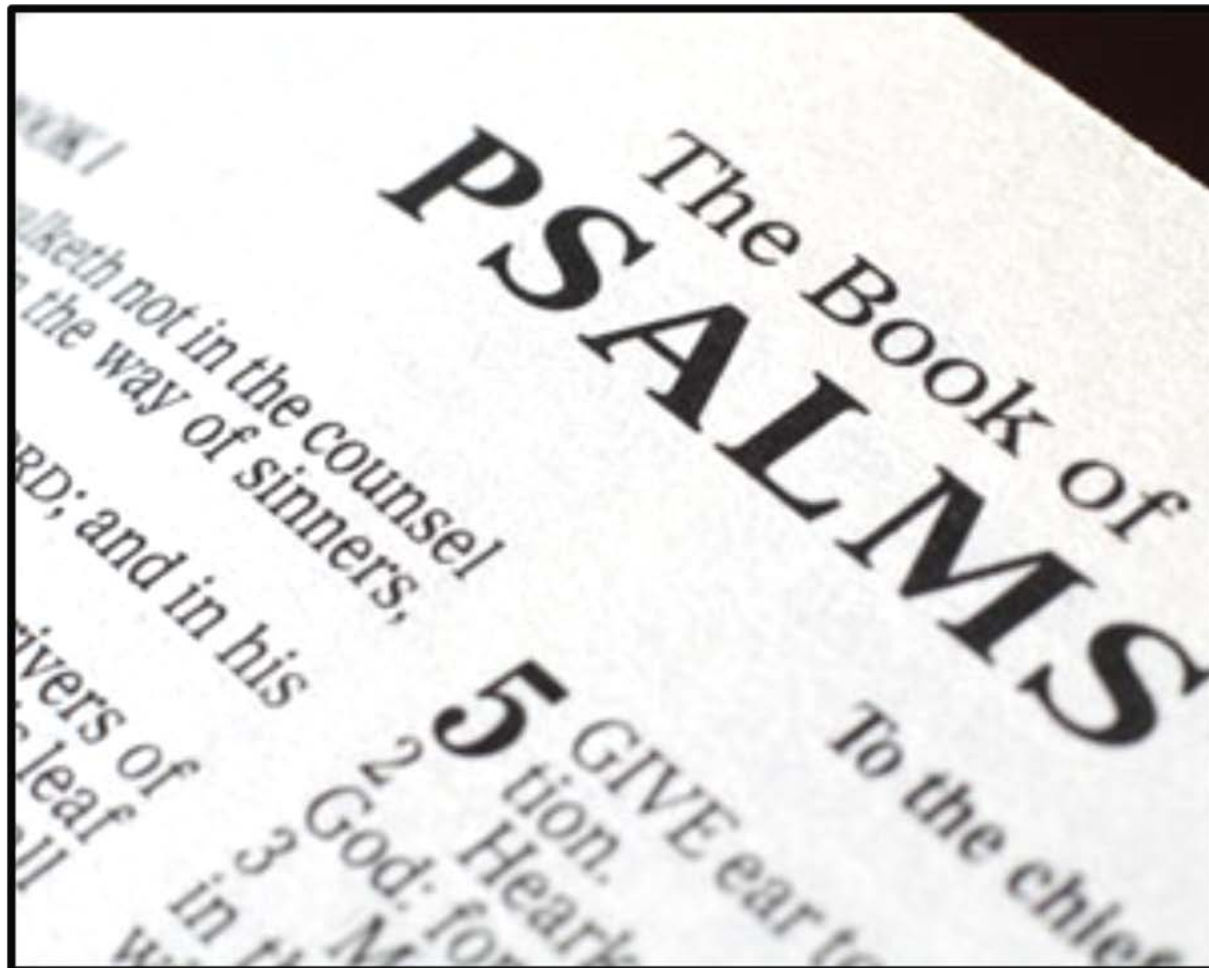


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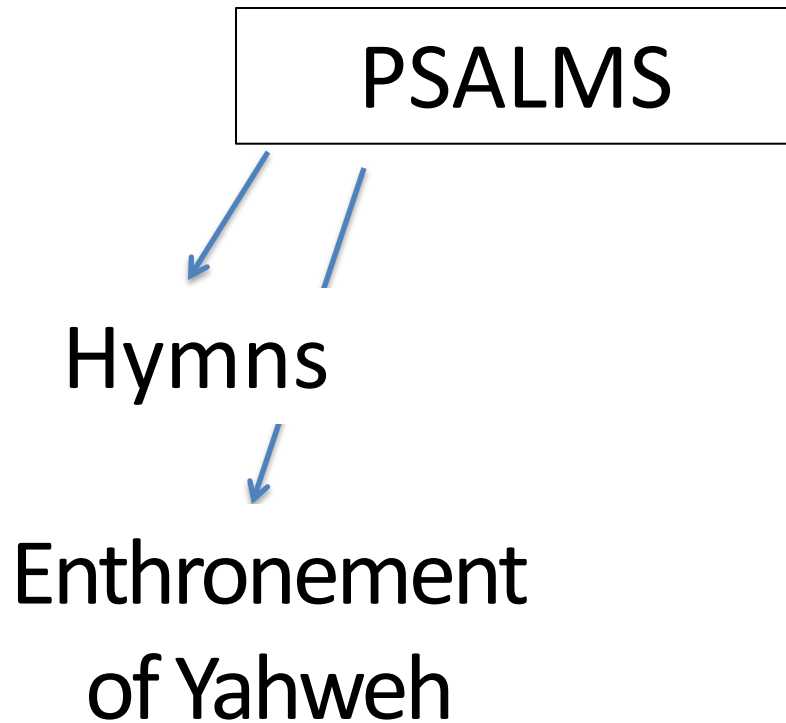


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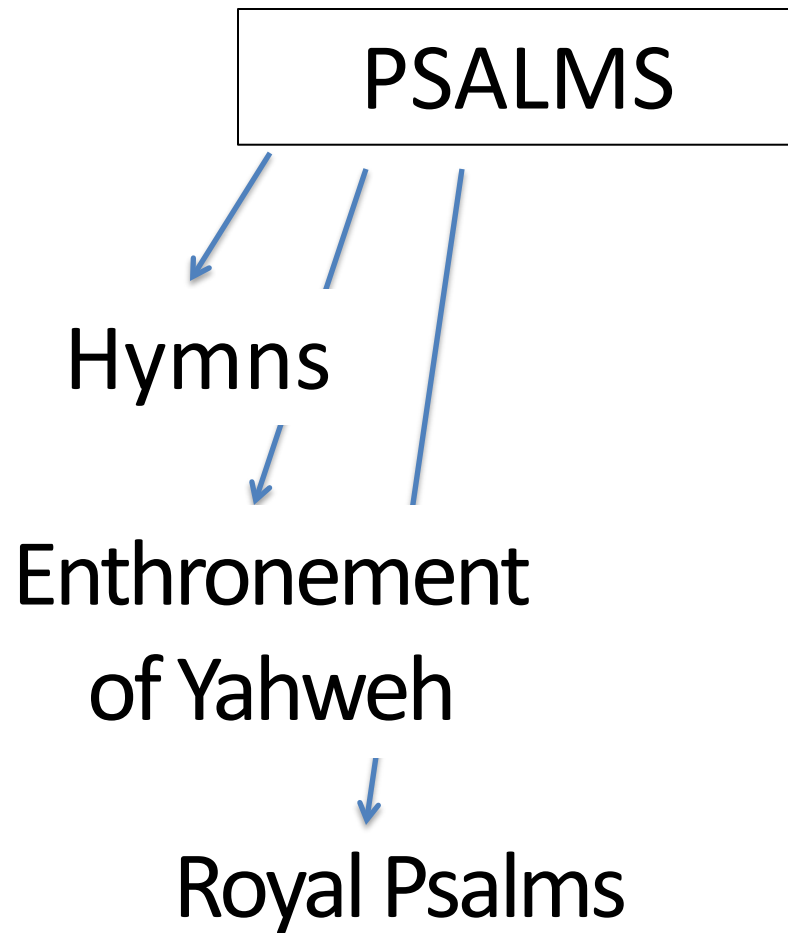
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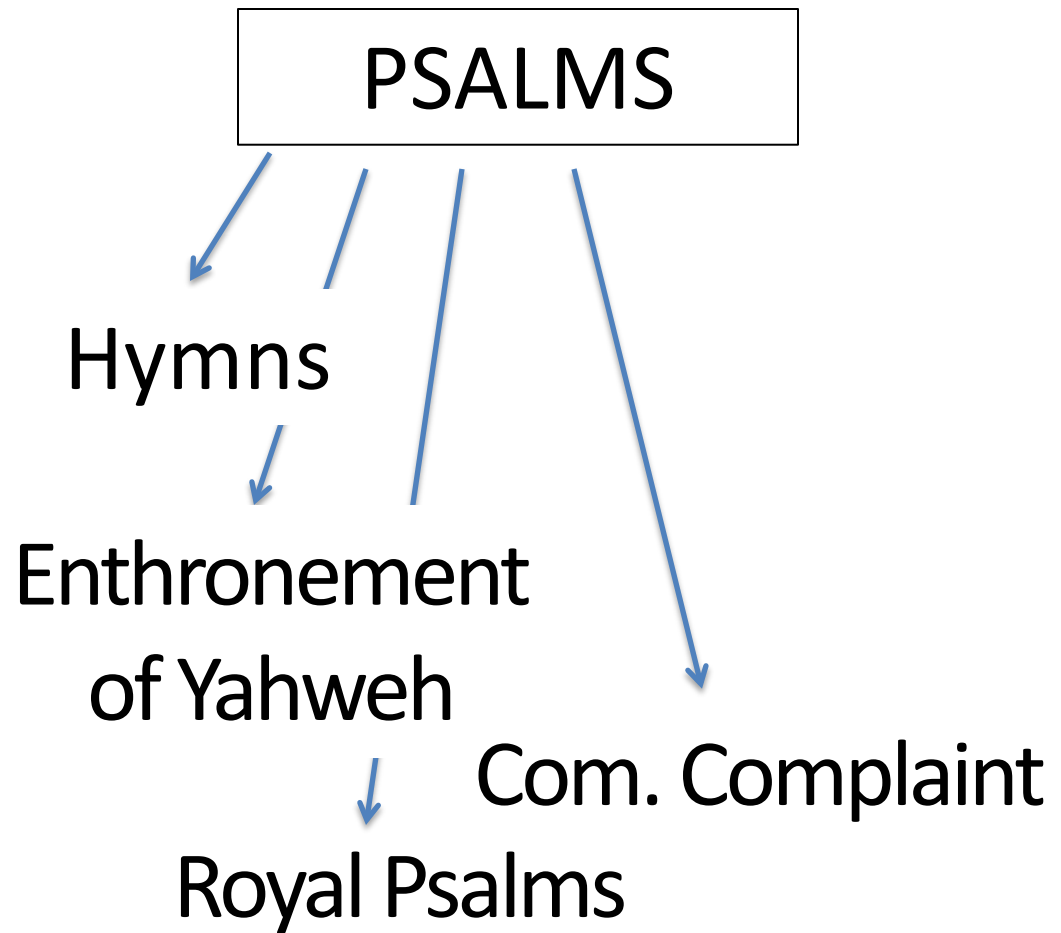
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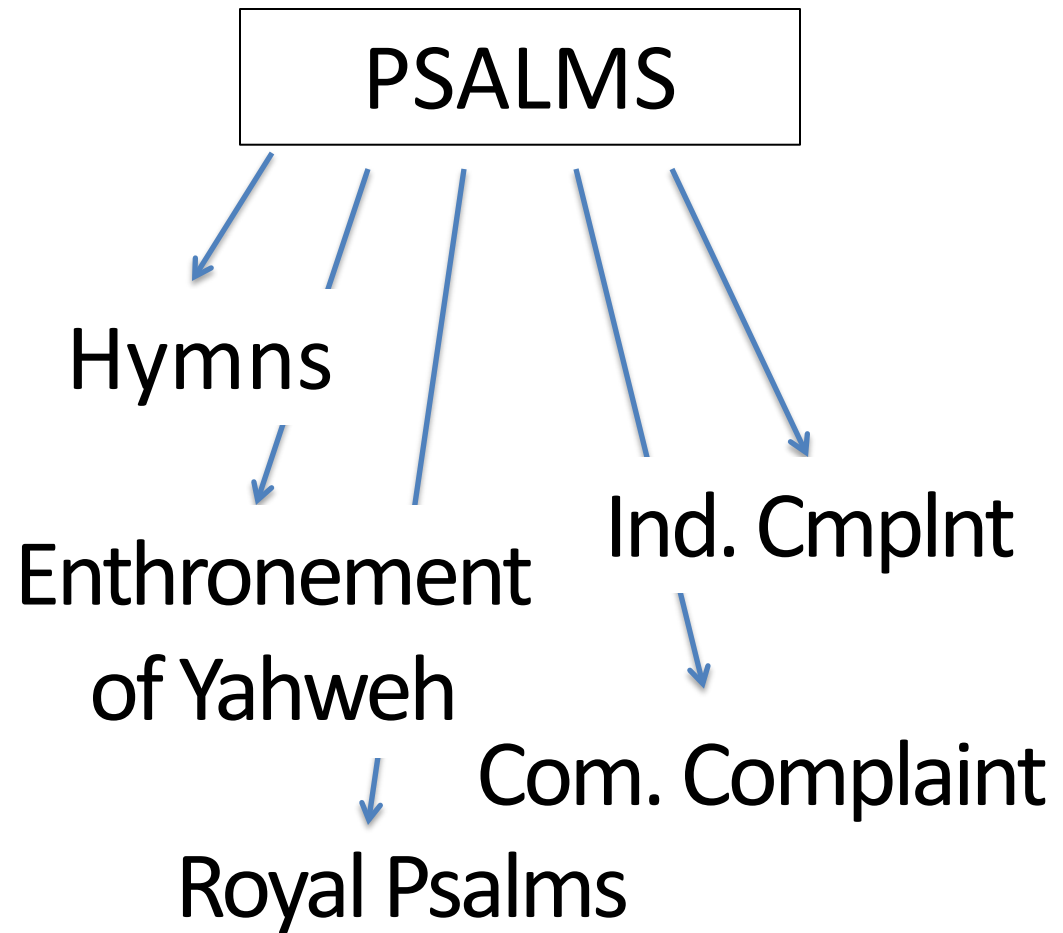




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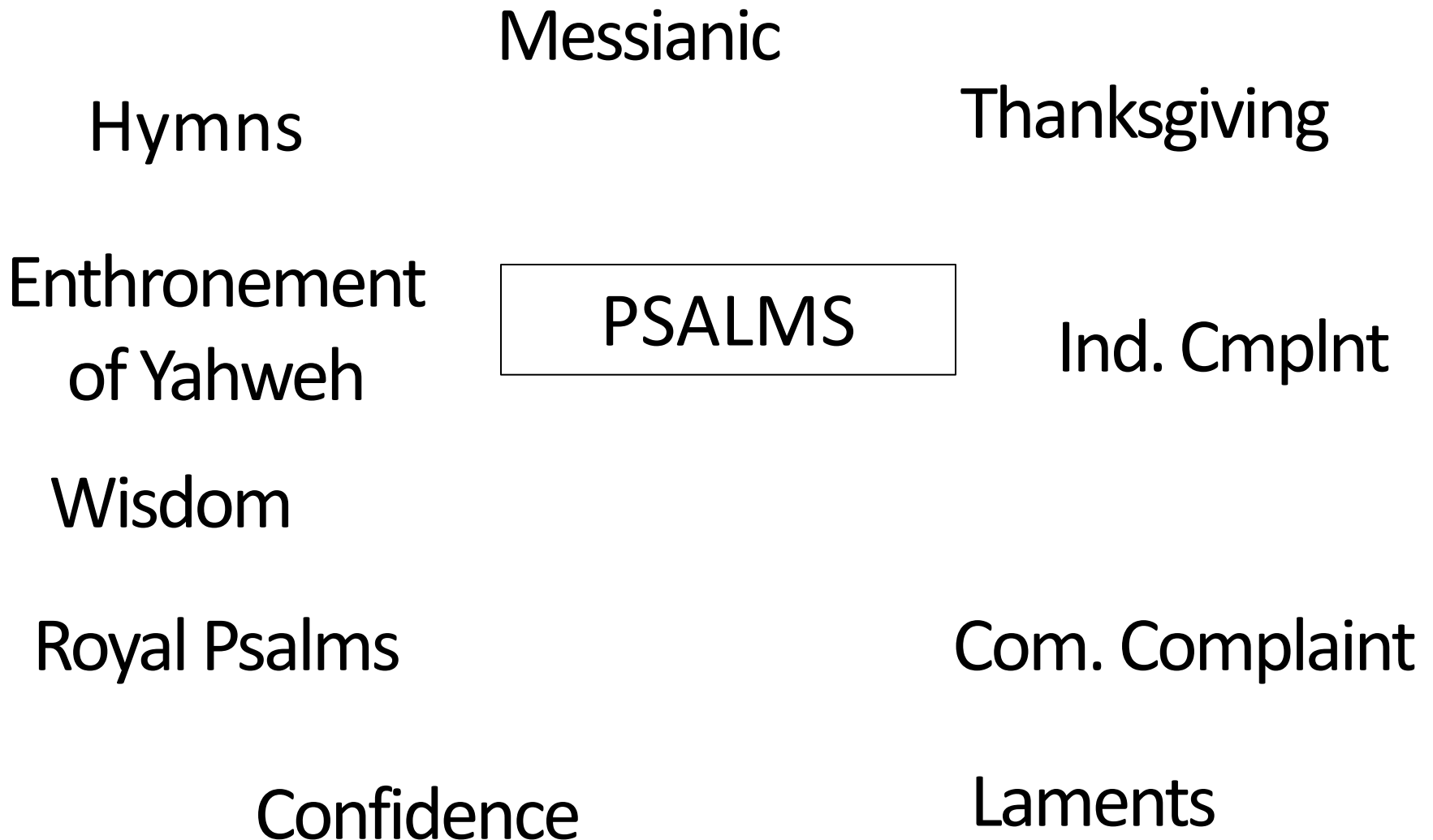
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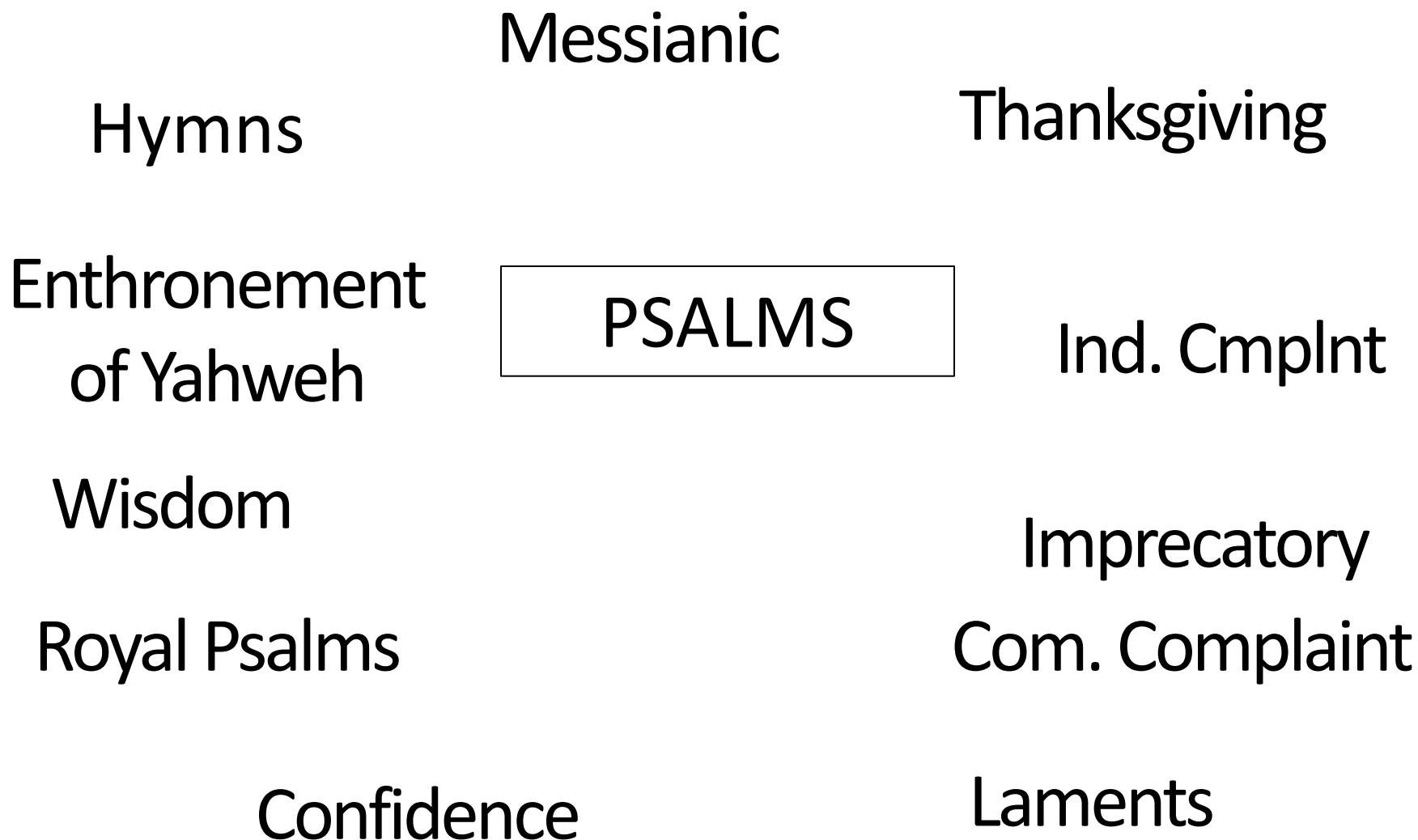
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2	✓	Diamonds And Rust	4:47	Joan Baez	The Best Of Joan Ba...	Traditional Folk
3	✓	Scarborough Fair / Canticle	3:10	Simon & Garfunkel	The Essential Simo...	Pop
4	✓	Lord Of The Starfield	5:29	Bruce Cockburn	Circles In The Stream	Contemporary Folk
5	✓	Mary	5:19	Patty Griffin	Flaming Red	Rock
6	✓	Goodnight Irene	3:22	The Weavers	Best Of Decca Years	Contemporary Folk
7	✓	I'm Your Man	5:29	Leonard Cohen	Cohen Live	Alternative Singer-Songwriter
8	✓	See You Tomorrow	4:21	Bruce Cockburn	Life Short Call Now	Contemporary Folk
9	✓	Bleecker Street	2:44	Simon & Garfunkel	The Essential Simo...	Pop

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Consider Psalm 13:  
an “Individual Complaint” Psalm



Walk by faith, not by  
sight!

*“I will never leave you nor forsake  
you...”*  
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(Heb. 13:5-6)

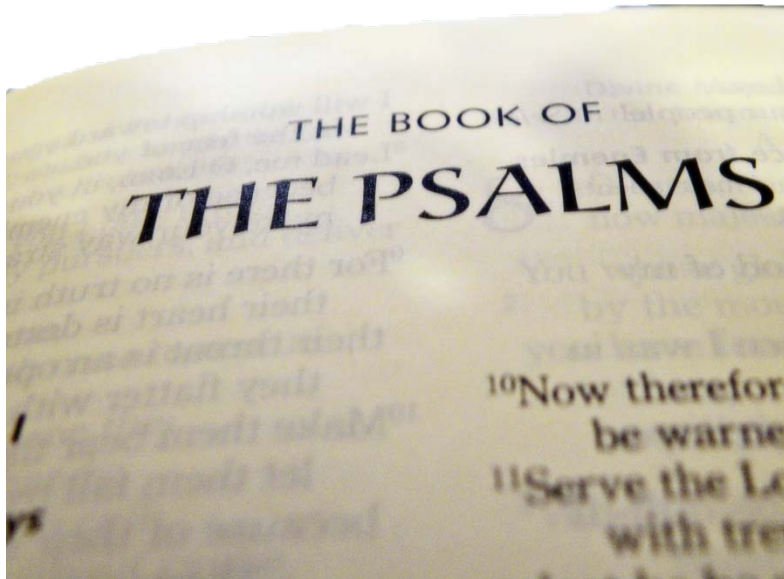
Consider Psalm 113:  
a “Hymn” Psalm



Take the  
encouragement of  
Praise!

*“When they had sung a hymn, they  
went out to the Mount of Olives”  
(Mk. 14:26)*

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