

Psalm 72

(Title. *A Psalm for Solomon*) The best linguists affirm that this should be rendered, *of or by Solomon*. With some diffidence we suggest that the spirit and matter of the Psalm are David's, but that he was too near his end to pen the words, or cast them into form: Solomon, therefore, caught his dying father's song, fashioned it in goodly verse, and, without robbing his father, made the Psalm his own. It is, we conjecture, the Prayer of David, but the Psalm of Solomon*. Jesus is here, beyond all doubt, in the glory of his reign, both as he now is, and as he shall be revealed in the latter-day glory. [C. H. Spurgeon, *The Treasury of David*] *Solomon is credited with writing two Psalms, 72 and 127.

- I. Grant a _____ rule and kingdom Vs 1-4
 - A. A reign guided by God's righteous _____ Vs 1-2
 - B. The result of a righteous reign will be _____ and fairness Vs 3-4
- II. Grant an _____ kingdom Vs 5-7
 - A. Righteous rule will result in _____ from one's subjects Vs 5
 - B. Righteous rule shall nourish the _____ of the kingdom Vs 6
 - C. Righteous rule shall bring ultimate, _____ peace Vs 7
- III. Grant an _____ kingdom Vs 8-11
 - A. A righteous reign shall ensure advancement of the kingdom's _____ Vs 8
 - B. A righteous reign shall ensure respect and submission from the _____ Vs 9
 - C. A righteous reign shall draw the respect of other world _____ Vs 10-11
- IV. Grant a _____ kingdom Vs 12-14
 - A. Righteous rule shall bring _____ to the needy and helpless Vs 12-13
 - B. Righteous rule shall bring deliverance and _____ to the needy and helpless Vs 14a
 - C. Righteous rule will _____ the eyes of the ruler concerning their subjects Vs 14b
- V. Grant an _____ kingdom Vs 15-20
 - A. The ruler who rules righteously shall enjoy the _____ of those around him Vs 15
 1. _____ blessings Vs 15a
 2. _____ blessings Vs 15b
 3. _____ and admiration Vs 15c
 - B. The things necessary for _____ of the kingdom shall be present Vs 16
 1. *An handful of corn*-a _____ amount of seed
 2. *The fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon*-the product of that hand full of seed shall produce an _____ crop that shall be like the cedar trees of Lebanon (plentiful)
 3. *They of the city shall flourish like the grass of the earth*-the population shall expand rapidly and _____
 - C. The righteous ruler shall continue _____ Vs 17
 1. A truth that can be found in no other king but _____
 2. Cf. Philippians 2:9-11
 - D. The kingdom shall last forever _____ God is its ruler Vs 18-19
 1. When God rules, _____ things happen causing praise and joy Vs 18
 2. When God rules, all of mankind will take note and the righteous subjects of the kingdom will _____ and worship God Vs 19
- VI. The end of Book two of the Psalms Vs 20
 - A. Book one Psalm 1-41
 - B. Book two Psalm 42-72
 - C. Book three Psalm 73-89
 - D. Book four Psalm 90-106
 - E. Book five Psalm 107-150