

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY OUTLINE

BACKGROUND

Psalm 62 along with Psalms 1, 14, 19, 37, 73, 90, 91, 112, 119, 128, 133, and 138 are known as Wisdom Psalms or Wisdom Literature. These Psalms are called Wisdom Psalms because they reflect on wisdom, the fate of the righteous and wicked, and the Law. In this week’s lesson identify and reflect how 62nd Psalm fits into the characteristics of a Wisdom Psalm.

1. Psalm 62 begins with a “superscription.” What is superscription in the Bible?
 - a. To whom is this Psalm addressed? Who was this person? What was this person’s responsibility? 1 Chronicles 5:12; 16:41-42
 - b. Who is the author of this Psalm?

I. A STATEMENT OF CONFIDENCE IN GOD (PSALM 62:1-2)

2. In whom does David put complete confidence? How does he express this? Psalm 62:1-2
 - v. 1a _____
 - v. 1b _____
 - v. 2a _____
 - v. 2b _____
 - v. 2c _____

3. Why do think God is likened to a rock?
4. Who is compared to a rock in the New Testament? 1 Corinthians 10:4
5. What do you think led David to put total trust in God? Why do you put your trust in God?

II. A CHALLENGE TO ENEMIES (PSALM 62:3)

6. What were David’s tormentors attempting to do? Psalm 62:3
 - v. 3a _____
 - v. 3b _____

7. How did David’s enemies view him?
 - v. 3c _____
 - v. 3d _____

III. THE WAYS OF THE WICKED (PSALM 62:4)

8. What was the intention of David’s enemies? Psalm 62:4a
9. How does David further describe the wicked attempting to topple him? Psalm 62:4bcd
 - v. 4b _____
 - v. 4c _____
 - v. 4d _____

10. How did David's enemies display hypocrisy as revealed in Psalm 62:4?

11. Why can David's enemies also be called God's enemies? Proverbs 6:16-19

IV. CONTINUED TRUST IN GOD IN THE MIDST OF ENEMIES (PSALM 62:5-7)

12. How does David further restate and emphasize his trust in God? Psalm 62:5-7

v. 5a _____

v. 5b _____

v. 6a _____

v. 6b _____

v. 7a _____

v. 7b _____

13. What was David sure his trust in God would accomplish? Psalm 62:7c

V. A CHALLENGE TO THE RIGHTEOUS (PSALM 62:8)

14. What spiritual advice does David give the righteous people of God? Why? Psalm 62:8

v. 8a _____

v. 8b _____

v. 8c _____

15. Why is it helpful to encourage others to trust and obey the Lord?

VI. A WARNING AGAINST MISPLACED TRUST (PSALM 62:9-10)

16. What does David say about the lowborn (common people, low degree) and the highborn (important, powerful people, high degree)? What do they have in common?

v. 9a _____

v. 9b _____

v. 9c _____

17. What advice does David give about misplaced trust?

v. 10a _____

v. 10b _____

v. 10c _____

v. 10d _____

VII. A DESCRIPTION OF GOD'S NATURE (PSALM 62:11-12)

18. Psalm 62:11 is emblematic of Wisdom Literature. It uses a number and then raises it by one. How did David use this method?

v. 11a _____

v. 11b _____

19. What does David say about God's nature? Psalm 62:11c-12a

v. 11c _____

v. 12a _____

20. How does God reward individuals? Psalm 62:12b (Jeremiah 17:10)