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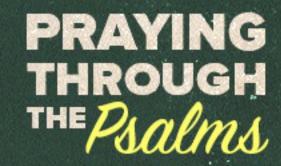
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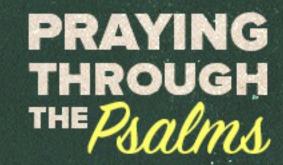
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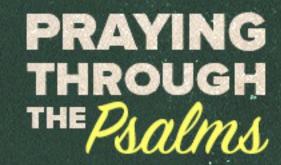


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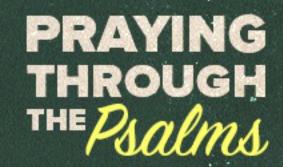
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For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. 4 The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world.



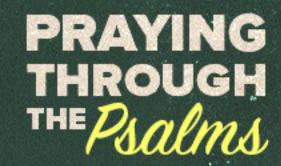
On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. II Corinthians 10:3,4



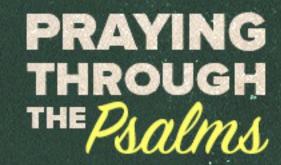
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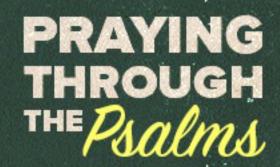
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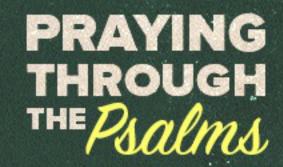
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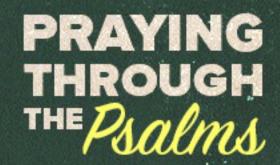
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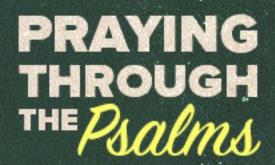


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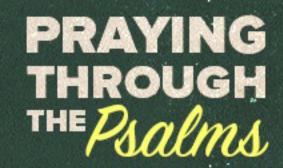


When it comes to prayer we might be...

- Intimidated
- Misinformed
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The Psalms help us talk to God as we engage the spiritual battle.



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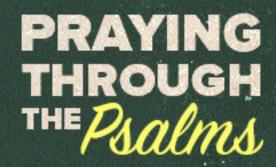
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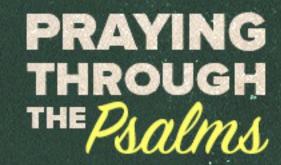
Praise is important because it... - Moves our focus off self and onto God.

- Invites God's blessing and presence.



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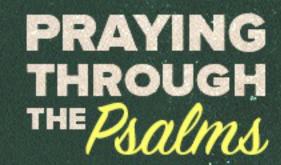
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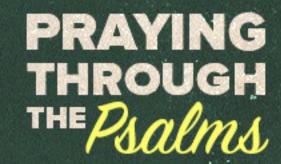
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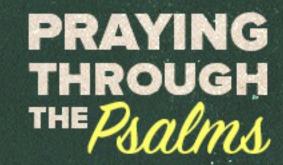
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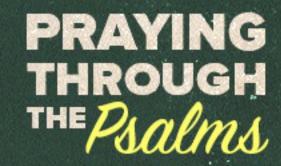
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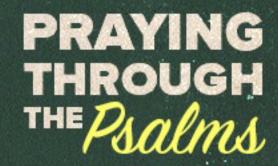


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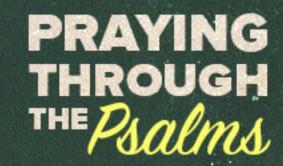


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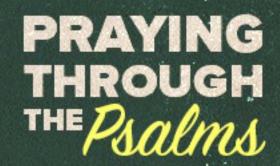
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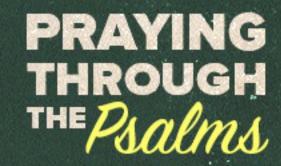
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"'Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise'?" Matthew 21:16

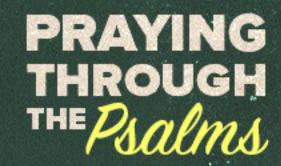


...We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

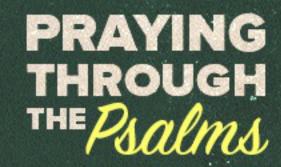


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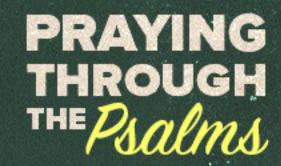






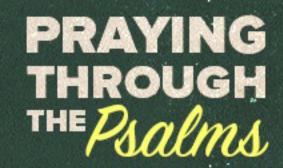
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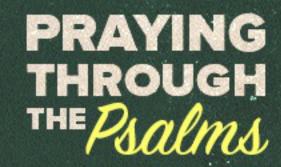


I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Psalm 139:14



What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it? I Corinthians 4:7



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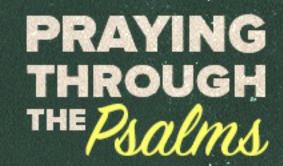
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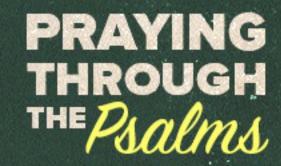
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Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock

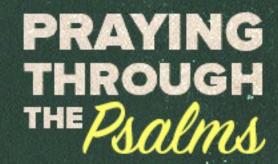


and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. Genesis 1:26,27



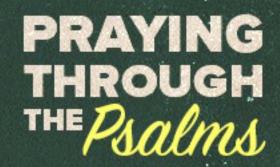
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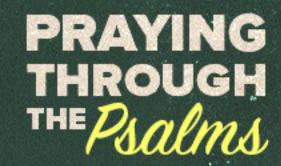
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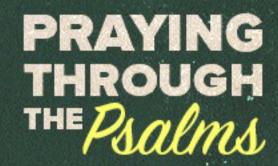


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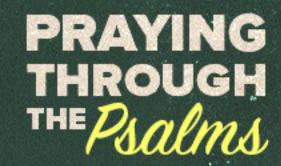


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Hebrews 2:6-8

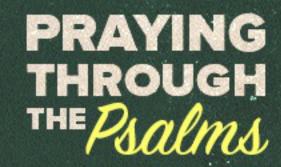


But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor



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