

# Treasure Hunt

- What does the end of 16:2 mean?
- To whom are we to make this confession?
- What group in Israel inspired David's statement in 16:5?
- In what four ways does the Lord preserve his people in 16:7-11?
- When did the Lord prepare David a table in the sight of his enemies (23:5)?
- What elements of Psalm 23 refer to the Lord's chastisement of his people?
- How do Psalm 23:3, 6 recall Psalm 15?
- How does each of Psalms 16 and 23 relate to the Messiah?

# Chiasm in Psalms 15-24

Qualifications to dwell with God	15	24 (+ the King)	
Confidence	16 thou wilt show me the path of life	23 The Lord is my Shepherd	
Laments	17	22	
Thanksgiving	18 request + answer	20 (request) + 21 (answer)	
God's revelation	19 (cf. Psalms 15 and 24)		

# Correspondences between Psalms 16 and 23

	<b>Psalm 16:</b>	<b>Psalm 23:</b>
The Lord's goodness	2 My <b>goodness</b> does not surpass thee	6 Surely <b>goodness</b> and mercy shall follow me
The name of God	4 nor take up their <b>names</b>	3 for his <b>name's</b> sake
David's cup	5 The LORD <i>is</i> the portion of mine inheritance and of my <b>cup</b>	5 my <b>cup</b> runneth over
Assurance	8 I shall not be moved	1 I shall not want
Restoring the soul	10 For thou wilt not leave <b>my soul</b> in hell	3 He restoreth <b>my soul</b>
Protection from death	10 <b>hell ... corruption</b>	3 the valley of the shadow of <b>death</b>
Covenant relation	10 thine <b>Holy One</b> חֲסִיד	6 goodness and <b>mercy</b> רַחֲמִים
Coming to the presence of the Lord	11 <b>in thy presence</b> <i>is</i> fulness of joy; <b>at thy right hand</b> <i>there are</i> pleasures for evermore.	6 I will dwell <b>in the house of the LORD</b> forever
Lead in path	11 Thou wilt <b>shew me the path</b> of life	3 he <b>leadeth me in the paths</b> of righteousness
Life	11 path of <b>life</b>	6 all the days of my <b>life</b>

# Structure of Psalm 16

<p>1 Preserve me, O God:</p>	<p>7 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.              8 I have set the LORD always before me: because <i>he is</i> at my right hand, I shall not be moved. 9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth:              my flesh also shall rest in hope. 10 For thou wilt not <del>leave my soul in</del> abandon my soul to hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.              11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence <i>is</i> fulness of joy; at thy right hand <i>there are</i> pleasures for evermore.</p>	
<p>For in thee do I put my trust.</p>	<p>2 <i>O my soul</i>, thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou <i>art</i> my Lord: my goodness <del>extendeth not to</del> does not surpass thee; 3 <del>But</del> unto the saints that <i>are</i> in the earth, and <i>to</i> the excellent, in whom <i>is</i> all my delight.</p>	<p>5 The LORD <i>is</i> the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot. 6 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant <i>places</i>; yea, I have a goodly heritage.</p>
<p>4 Their sorrows shall be multiplied <i>that</i> hasten <i>after</i> another <i>god</i>: their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.</p>		

# Footnotes to Psalm 16

## 2 My goodness does not surpass thee

Hab 3:17 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither *shall* fruit *be* in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls: 18 Yet **I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God** of my salvation.

Deu 6:5 And thou shalt **love the LORD thy God** with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

## 5 The LORD *is* the portion of mine inheritance חלק ... yea, I have a goodly heritage נחלה.

1 Sam 26:19: they have driven me out ... that I should have no share in the **heritage נחלה of the Lord**, saying, “Go, serve other gods”.

Num 18:20 And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Thou shalt have no **inheritance נחל** in their land, neither shalt thou have any **part חלק** among them: I *am* thy **part חלק** and thine **inheritance נחלה** among the children of Israel.

# Structure of Psalm 23

1 The LORD <i>is</i> my shepherd;	2 <b>He</b> maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.	<b>Third</b> Person
	4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for <b>thou art</b> with me; <b>thy</b> rod and <b>thy</b> staff they comfort me.	<b>Second</b> Person
I shall not want.	5 <b>Thou</b> preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: <b>thou</b> anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.	<b>Second</b> Person
	6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house <b>of the LORD</b> for ever.	<b>Third</b> Person

# Footnotes to Psalm 23

## 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

Sol 1:7 Tell me, O thou whom my soul loveth, ... where thou makest *thy flock* to **rest** at noon:

## 3 He restoreth my soul:

1Ki 17:21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's **soul come** into him **again**.

Psa 35:17 Lord, how long wilt thou look on? **rescue my soul** from their destructions, my darling from the lions.

Psa 19:7 The law of the LORD is perfect, **converting the soul**:

## the paths of righteousness

Psa 5:8 **Lead me**, O LORD, **in thy righteousness** because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.

Pro 8:20 I [wisdom] lead in **the way of righteousness**, in the midst of the paths of judgment:

## 4 the shadow of death

Psa 44:19 Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.

Psa 107:10 Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, *being* bound in affliction and iron; 11 Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned the counsel of the most High:

Jer 13:16 Give glory to the LORD your God, before he cause darkness, and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ye look for light, he turn it into the shadow of death, *and* make *it* gross darkness.

# Footnotes to Psalm 23 (cont.)

## thou anointest my head with oil

Luk 7:44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no **water for my feet**: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped *them* with the hairs of her head. 45 Thou gavest me no **kiss**: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet. 46 **My head with oil thou didst not anoint**: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.

## 6 goodness and mercy

Psa 25:7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy **mercy** remember thou me for thy **goodness'** sake, O LORD.

Psa 86:5 For thou, Lord, *art* **good**, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in **mercy** unto all them that call upon thee.

## The Messiah in Psalms 16 and 23

Psalm 16	Psalm 23
No reference to personal sin	Aware of chastisement
David speaks <b>for</b> the Messiah	David speaks <b>about</b> and <b>to</b> the Messiah
Messiah as the son of David who can die and rise again	Messiah as the son of God, the divine Shepherd