LUKE 24:44

Now He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."

VALUE IN THE STUDY

- PETER IN ACTS 3:17-26
- PAUL IN ACTS 13:26-31
- HEBREW WRITER IN 1:1-2
- ALL TAUGHT ABOUT JESUS FROM THE PSALMS
- THE PROMISED MESSIAH
 - WRITTEN ABOUT 1000 YEARS PRIOR TO HIS BIRTH
 - WITH SPECIFIC DETAILS

VALUE IN THE STUDY

- PROPHECIES HELP IDENTIFY JESUS AS THE MESSIAH
- PSALMS NOT GENERALLY LISTED AS PROPHECY, YET WRITTEN BY INSPIRED MEN, CONTAINING MUCH PROPHECY
 - HOW MUCH DID THE AUTHORS UNDERSTAND OF WHAT THEY WROTE?
 - WHAT APPLICATIONS WERE MADE AS THE APOSTLES TAUGHT FROM THE PSALMS
 - THE SPECIFIC NATURE OF WHAT WAS WRITTEN
 - WHAT THE LESSONS TAUGHT MEAN FOR US

MESSIANIC PSALMS

- SOME SPEAK OF SHARED EXPERIENCES, A "TYPE" OF THE CHRIST TO COME (Ps. 69)
- SOME USE LANGUAGE OF A PRESENT SITUATION, ONLY TO BE FULLY REALIZED IN CHRIST (Ps. 22)
- SOME USE LANGUAGE DESCRIBING DAVID'S KINGSHIP OR LINEAGE, PROPHESYING OF AN ULTIMATE OR HIGHER FULFILLMENT (Ps. 2)
- SOME CAN SPEAK ONLY OF THE MESSIAH (PS. 110)

- 1. FROM ACTS 4:24-28, WHO CAN WE IDENTIFY IN PSALM 2 AS THOSE RISING UP AGAINST "HIS ANOINTED"?
 - JESUS AS THE ANOINTED
 - HEROD AND PILATE AS THE KINGS OF THE EARTH
 - ROME AND THE JEWS AS THE NATIONS AND THE PEOPLES

- 2. Was God at all surprised by the rejection of His Son?
 - Nothing was done that God did not foresee (Acts 4:28; 2:23; Lk. 22:22)
 - GOD HAS ALWAYS ACCOMPLISHED HIS PURPOSES
 REGARDLESS OF MAN'S BEHAVIOR (GEN. 50:20; DEUT.
 28:49; Ps. 33:10-11)

- 3. What reasoning does Peter use in Acts 2 and 13 to Help his listeners understand that verses 8 through 11 of this psalm were speaking of Jesus?
 - DAVID INDEED DIED AND WAS BURIED, WITH HIS REMAINS DECAYED AND REMAINING IN HIS TOMB. DAVID COULD NOT HAVE BEEN SPEAKING OF HIMSELF IN THE PSALM.
 - DAVID, BEING A PROPHET AND TRUSTING GOD'S PROMISES, WROTE OF THE CHRIST WHO WOULD BE RESURRECTED.

- 4. LIST THE PARTS OF THIS PSALM WHICH ARE DIRECTLY APPLICABLE TO JESUS' LIFE AND HIS CRUCIFIXION.
 - V. 1... "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?" (MT. 27:46; MK. 15:34)
 - V. 2... Jesus' agonizing in the Garden of Gethsemane (Lk. 22:44)
 - V. 3... "HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME" (MT. 6:9). HONOR THROUGH HIS SUBMISSION (JN. 8:26-29; 5:19; 15:10)
 - V. 68-8... THE CONTEMPT SHOWN WHILE JESUS HUNG ON THE CROSS (MT. 27:39-44; Mk. 15:29-32)