

PSALMS 73—89

THE PSALMS OF BOOK III

This division of the Book of Psalms, designated Book III, contains seventeen psalms. Although ten of these psalms are laments, the major psalm types are represented in the psalms of this collection. We see the lament in 73, 74, 77, 79, 80, 83, 85, 86, 88, and 89; the thanksgiving psalm in 75; the psalm of confidence in 84 and 86, the hymn (without any specific call to worship) in 76 and 87; the remembrance psalm in 78 and 81; the royal psalm is part of 76, 78, and 89; and the wisdom psalm is found in 73 and 82.

1. What can we make of the variety of themes and authors in Book III?
2. What new names do we see in this section of Psalms?