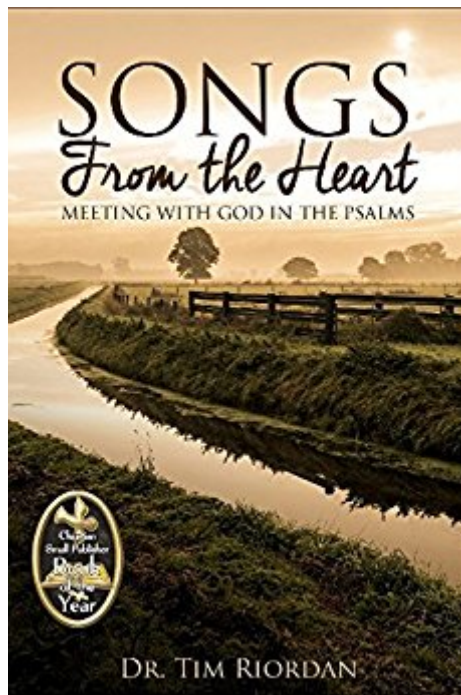


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# Songs From The Heart: Meeting With God In The Psalms - A Bible Study And Devotional Guide



## Synopsis

Meeting with God in Psalms will change your life! Do you need encouragement or hope? Have you longed to know God, study the Bible, and experience God's presence? In *Songs from the Heart*, Dr. Tim Riordan has provided a rich resource, based upon the Psalms, to encourage your spiritual journey and help the Psalms come to life in your heart. You will enjoy Dr. Riordan's easy to read style and personal stories as he guides you through a Bible study that will help you find personal application of God's Word. *Songs from the Heart* can be viewed as a daily devotional through selected Psalms or as a resource to help you engage in Bible study. It will be a tool to enrich your spiritual life, to strengthen your prayer life, and to challenge you to meet with God in worship. Join Dr. Riordan as he carefully leads you through an overview of this beloved Bible book and then directs you through a more detailed study of thirty different Psalms. "Songs from the Heart" was chosen by the Christian Small Publishers Association as the 2016 Book of the Year in the categories of Bible Study and Theology.

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## Customer Reviews

I always enjoyed reading the Psalms, but never with the same passion as some of my friends. Then one line in Riordan's book made me understand what I'd been missing. Riordan said, "While many books [of the Bible] speak about God, the Psalms speak to God." Now, the idea of praying Psalms and using them in my personal worship time, makes more sense. After a sweet fictional story about how Jews might have used the Psalms in everyday life, Riordan shared interesting history about the authorship and poetic structure of the Psalms. Then he went into application, taking 33 specific Psalms and sharing how they might enrich our relationship with God. Several well thought out questions at the end of each chapter encourage further meditation and application. Riordan's writing style is just the right balance of scholar and approachable friend, making the book easy to read, yet weighty enough to satisfy the Bible student in us. I will definitely read the Psalms with renewed enthusiasm, looking for ways they might help me speak to God when my own words seem inadequate and looking for new insights into deepening my worship.

"Songs From the Heart" is such a great book. I coincidentally purchased the book at the beginning of my fast which was incredibly fortuitous! It has helped me in directing my thoughts to the many attributes of God which has enhanced my personal time with God each day. I will never look at the Psalms in the same way. Dr. Tim Riordan's writing style is that of a personal teacher. Although the book holds such powerful spiritual truths, it is an easy read. The reflection questions and suggested next steps at the end of each chapter helped to make the Psalms personal to me. I started recommending this book to all of my friends within hours of reading it -- it is that good! I highly recommend it to anyone wanting to enrich their time with the Most High God.

I feel that this book was truly inspired by God. It has helped me so much in walking through my daily life as a Christian. It could be used as a daily Bible study or even as a small group study. From the oldest person to the youngest reader, it is sure to "open the eyes of your heart". You can read it straight through or read the Chapter in Psalms and then read the chapter in the book. Your Bible is definitely the companion Book to have handy. I cannot emphasize enough how much I have actually changed in my feelings toward King David from reading this book. God bless Dr. Riordan as he continues to write.

This is an amazing book. No matter what you are going through it will encourage you and give you peace and comfort. Knowing that God loves you and He is always with us. My dad has just passed

away and my husband's cancer is back. Reading this book daily has helped me get through each day. I recommend this book to everyone!

This book, "Songs from the Heart", is a great reminder of what the Psalms are all about, and that is a lifestyle of worship of our great God and King. I would recommend this book to anyone that has a heart to truly live a daily life of worship that exalts the Lord and to be encouraged to know Him more intimately.

This book was definitely an inspiration to my summer! It starts out with a fictitious story of 2 boys growing up in Jewish culture which helped to bring a whole new perspective to the Psalms. The next chapter was educational by pointing out the different types of Jewish poetry and how they were used in worship years ago. This really helped to put what followed in to context. Each of the remaining chapters focuses on one chapter from the book of Psalms. In these chapters the author really dissects the meanings behind what is written and wraps it up with thoughts of application. The chapters are short making it perfect for a personal devotion resource. He helped me develop a whole new understanding of the Psalms, how it was written and how to incorporate it into a life of worship.

If you are looking for a companion to your personal devotion and reading of the Book of Psalms from the Bible, pick up this book. Dr. Riordan's understanding and perspective gives new insight to those of us who have just read Psalms in the "regular" way. It's great to have a book like Songs From The Heart... easy and interesting to read.

This book is filled with great information, observations about life, and gems of wisdom based on Dr. Riordan's experiences as a pastor, young boy, and family man. I used it as a devotional and was touched by the messages and lessons drawn from the Psalms. I loved the fact that it was neither lofty or judgmental. I regretted that it came to an end and I am sure I will be using it again, and again. Great job. I received quite a blessing.

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