

- b. Parallelism: the great literary ground of poetic battles.

This literary form will be studied in more detail when we look at the interpretation of the psalms. But parallelism is the idea of an extension of meaning through repetition and/or inversion. It gained its status in the works of Bishop Lowth..a long time ago.. and the reality of it is not questioned..but the method of execution is very much under study today.

2. Speech devices

- a. Imagery...the capacity to dramatically portray involving the use of the imagination, the blending of historical details, and the poetic assumptions.
- b. Speech figures. There are a lot of different speech figures..you should be familiar with the more common ones in English and there are a lot that I have forgotten. The most common ones in the Psalter, following Scroggie (Know Your Bible-Psalms) are these:

Simile
Metaphor
Metonymy
Synecdoche
Hyperbole
Personification
Apostrophe

Some limited use of allegory is also noticed.

Irony and even sarcasm are also seen.

Speech figures enrich the language and make portrayals more vigorous.

3.. Personality extensions...Wow!

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 linguistic
 scientific (mathematical)
 1:6
 19:7-9
 24:1-3