

you will need to become more better acquainted with these things but for the moment a few superficial notes will do.

C. Generalization concepts

I have alluded to this in an earlier note and will just give a little elaboration..working in Psalm 37 will be adequate for the moment, I think. This is not always easy to clarify in the student mind and is harder to discuss from the pulpit but we will make a stab at it and come out in good form I, I hope.

D. Psalm elements

1. Prophetic elements..discussed in greater detail when we look at the "Royal" psalms.
2. Liturgical
3. Emotional

And that is enough of problems of a critical sort. Some details show up through the course of study as we look at individual psalms.

VI The Pastoral Psalms

Following all the prolegomena and introductory materials we will spend the next several weeks looking at groups of psalms. I have earlier noted that scholars have different groupings depending on how they look at things and my groupings for this part of the study are not to be thought of as exhaustive or as dogmatic..they are just convenience groupings as I see things and as I want to put them into practical use. What we will hope to do progressively is to see how each psalm studied is both edifying to us personally and useful in whatever ministry we may envision as being the Lord's guidance for our lives. In other words, our study is not thought of as an abstract analysis of Psalm-ideas but as a practicum of psalm usage. Your assignments in Jensen run somewhat parallel to our class work but are not identical in that his book is arranged on a different pattern than our discussions. But as we go we can put it altogether and harmonize the work. So for the next few weeks, the enjoyment of the psalms with appropriate utilization is our goal.