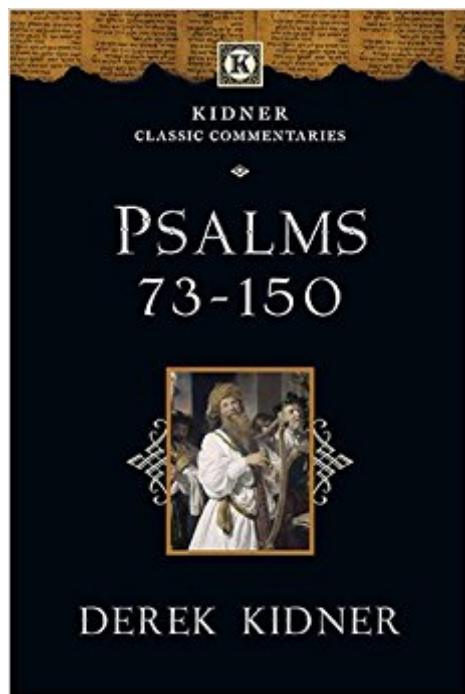


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Synopsis

'The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.' 'Thy word is a lamp to my feet.' 'Search me, O God, and know my heart!' Such phrases leap to mind whenever Christians lift their hearts to God. For many, in fact, the Psalms are the richest part of the Old Testament. Derek Kidner provides a fresh and penetrating guide to Psalms 73–150. He analyzes each psalm in depth, comments on interpretative questions and brings out the universal relevance of the texts. He also gives special help on the psalmists' cries for vengeance. Together with its companion volume (Psalms 1–72), both of which were formerly part of the Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries series, this introduction and commentary will inspire and deepen personal worship.

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The works of Derek Kidner (MA, Christ's College, Cambridge) are full of the marks of both professor and pastor with his even-handed scholarship as well as his devotional insight. These qualities have made his commentaries in the Tyndale Old Testament Commentary series and The Bible Speaks Today series some of the most beloved and popular of recent decades. Kidner had a long career in both the church and the academy in England. He studied at Cambridge University and then served in the ministry for several years before becoming a senior tutor at Oak Hill Theological College. Kidner began his writing career while serving as warden of Tyndale House in Cambridge from 1964 to 1978, publishing his ninth and final book, *The Message of Jeremiah*, in 1987.

Loving this so far, but you may need the first volume as well, even if you only want the commentary on a Psalm included in this one. This is due to the fact that he references the introduction often, which is found only in the first volume.

You can read my full review here: [wp \[...\] me/p3JhRp-RNDerek](http://wp.me/p3JhRp-RNDerek) Kidner was a brilliant British Old Testament scholar. He taught at Oak Hill Theological College before becoming Warden of Tyndale House. He wrote many commentaries in the Tyndale Old Testament Commentary (TOTC) series and The Bible Speaks Today (BST) series. He has written volumes on the books of Genesis, Ezra–Nehemiah, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Jeremiah, and Hosea. At just over 240 pages this serves as a nice, thick completion to his commentaries on the Psalms. Each Psalm is given between 3-6 pages. Kidner doesn't treat the Psalms as just words on a page. They are life. For example, in Ps 113, who is like the Lord? No one. "It is here that God's glory most sharply differs from man's: a glory that is equally at home above the heavens (4) and at the side of one forlorn person (437). God's glory is seen in "giving the childless woman a family, making her a happy mother" (v9). Kidner doesn't allow himself to fall into the mire of despair, that swamp of gritty details and mindless facts. He is brief and crisp. He takes conservative views on the Psalms. Discussions about the Hebrew text are usually placed in the footnotes. You'll have to look elsewhere if you want in-depth word studies, structure of the psalm(s), literary analysis, reading the Psalms as a canonical unit, or opposing views. Although some will want to look for other commentaries on the Psalms, not everyone wants all of the extra analyses. These volumes are especially helpful for the pastor, the student, and as a morning devotional (with some extra details). Kidner's volume works best if you have both volumes. Volume 1 has the Introduction and exegesis of Books I and II. Volume 2 continues on the page number where Vol 1 left off (so Vol 2 starts on page 285). So a reference back to "page 12" means page 12 in Vol 1. There is no Bibliography in Vol 2, so I assume its in Vol 1. Nevertheless, you really ought to own both. Thanks to IVP Academic for the book!

Pithy, concise, exegetically and theologically sound. Example (re: Psalm 139): "Any small thoughts that we may have of God are magnificently transcended by this Psalm; yet for all its height and depth, it remains intensely personal from first to last." (page 463)

Great book at a good value delivered as described.

While this two volume commentary set may not serve all of the needs of someone teaching out of the text, these commentaries are perfect for accompanying daily reading to open up the Psalms on a devotional level. Regardless, I highly recommend this set.

Excellent book!The author explains with details the interpretation of the authors of Psalms. The references given are great!Will recommend!

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