

Aramaic Bible Companion

THE LEVITICUS OF THE PSALMS

The first psalm in this collection is No.77 and it stresses “purity of heart”.

Throughout this book the holy anger of God is vented against sin and constant prayer is made for mercy in that connection.

Psalm 78 is a mini Torah –recollecting the history of Israel as recorded in the five books of Moses.

The 87th speaks of the LORD’S foundation in the mountains of holiness. The songs of this book do not by any means all come from David’s pen- but with very few exceptions if any they were written in the Holy City of Zion.

Psalms 84 and 87-89 are Ezraite compositions from the “Second Temple” era. They reward study and two of them are written by Korahite authors-men of the ***holy Levite band*** who traced their ancestry to the rebel Korah but who after a thousand years were a people of magnificent faith and exemplary ***holy living***. This book if it is saying anything to us is telling us that we can learn from our mistakes and God can make something of those who look to him whatever their background.

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To the glory of the Lord
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