

Our Greatest Need

Psalm 51
(Pew Bible p. 581)

Psalms Study Tip: *They are Hebrew Poetry.*

Psalms are a sampling of spiritual journals, much like personal letters to God. Read them as an “over-the-shoulder” reader since the intended audience is God. Ordinary people are struggling to align what they believe about God with what they actually experience. Poetry’s function is not to explain but to resonate. I come to the Psalms not primarily as a student wanting knowledge but as a fellow pilgrim wanting relationship. Hebrew poets include God in every area of life and emotion. One need not “dress up” or “put on a face” to meet God. God can be trusted with the reality of who you are. Philip Yancey, *The Bible Jesus*
Read

Psalm 51: *Come clean with God.*

God’s Message for us: *The “Catch”*

Take a long look at your own heart ... then take 10 looks to Jesus.

19th c. Scottish Pastor, Robert
Murray McCheyne

Next week: Psalm 90