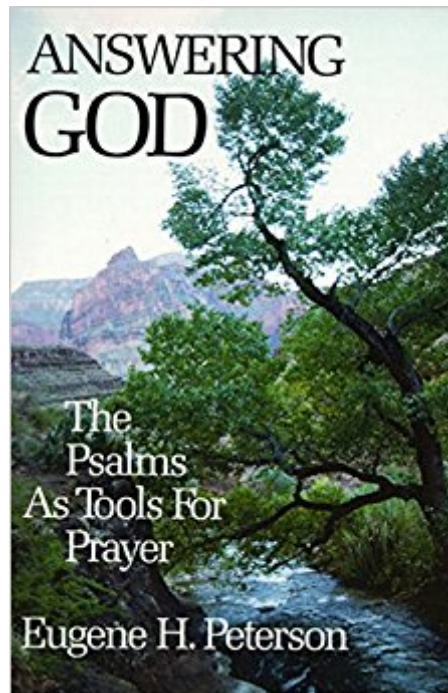


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this is actually my second copy of *Answering God*- I was nearly finished with the first copy and regrettably left it in the pocket of an airplane on an international flight. My prayer is that someone found the book and is receiving the same blessing I had with it. Not only is EP an amazing "wordsmith", I am very pleased with the continual movement back in to the Psalms at a very specific level. You might have that as an expectation based on the book's title, but I've found many authors only include their interpretation, caught up in their own world, and neglect to circle to God's word as the source.

Eugene Peterson gets to the nub of the quest for the psalms as the prayer book to open when you face the difficulties of life.

I just placed an order for six more copies of this book to give to friends and family ... and that's only a start. Am I new to the Bible? Not hardly. I'm one of those "veteran" Christians who has been active in church and other ministries all my life. Even so, "Answering God" introduced me to the Psalms in a way I've never before experienced. I'm excited about using the Psalms to help me develop a deeper, richer prayer life. As Peterson writes: "Prayers are tools for being and becoming ... The Psalms come from a people who hear God speak to them and realize that it is the most important word they will ever hear spoken. They decide to respond." So have I.

This book is a bit scary for me, a 68 year old, because I thought I'd had prayer and praying down pat. This book is opening a whole new vista for me. New vistas from God are like a wild roller coaster ride: you know it's "safe" but what an impact it has on you during and after the ride! I'm taking it slow and trying to really come to know God and to meditate on his words. I think I've been too much relying on God as a vending machine that responds to prayer. Eugene is teaching me how to better know, understand, and take into my heart and soul, what God is trying to get across to all of us.

Great book. Made me think about the Psalms in a different way. Very readable. Good for group discussion.

love the book. Peterson is a very thoughtful fellow. He has great insights into prayer. A very gifted writer. I would totally recommend this book

Glad to get this book by Eugene Peterson. I love studying the Psalms. Good service.

Worth a read. Here Peterson encourages us to learn to pray the Psalms, because of the poverty of our prayers when we try to pray extemporaneously at all times.

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