

Royal Praise

Psalms of David · Book I · Royal Psalms

"For the choir director, a Psalm of David"

PICTURE WORD

Gold Crown

IN ONE SENTENCE



he king rejoices in the LORD's strength, because God grants his desires, crowns him, and defeats his enemies.

Remember it: Psalm Twenty-One: the king wears a gold crown, but the strength is God's.

MEMORY VERSE

For the king trusts in Yahweh
and through the steadfast love of the Most
High
he shall not be shaken

Psalm 21:7 · the author's translation

HEBREW WORD

וְבִישׁוּעָתְךָ

"your salvation" · verse 1

In the Psalms: 45 times, in 33 psalms

וְבִישׁוּעָתְךָ, "in your salvation," uses a word meaning rescue, deliverance, or victory. It comes from the same root as the names Joshua and Jesus. The king's joy is not in his own victory but in the salvation the LORD gives.

HOW THE PSALM MOVES

1–7 The king rejoices in God's gifts: life, glory, a golden crown.

8–12 God's hand will find and defeat the king's enemies.

13 The people praise the LORD's strength.

MY NOTES



Listen. Hear Psalm 21 sung in the **Psalm Song** app, or free at ispress.de/psalms/21.

Cantillated. Sung: chanted back and forth between a leader and the people.

The King & the Messiah

Praise & Thanksgiving

FILL IN THE BLANKS

The king rejoices in the LORD's _____, because God grants his desires,
_____ him, and defeats his _____.

CHECK YOURSELF

1. What did God set on the king's head?

☐ (A) Oil

☐ (C) A helmet

☐ (B) A crown of fine gold

☐ (D) Ashes

2. What did the king ask of God?

☐ (A) Riches

☐ (C) Life

☐ (B) Many sons

☐ (D) Revenge

3. Why shall the king not be moved?

☐ (A) Through the loving kindness of the Most High

☐ (C) Because of his wealth

☐ (B) Because of his strong army

☐ (D) Because of his wisdom

TALK IT OVER

1. List the gifts God has given the king in verses 2-6.

2. Psalm 20 asked; Psalm 21 gives thanks. What does that pairing teach about God?

3. How do you remember to thank God after he answers a prayer?

IN YOUR OWN WORDS: WHAT DOES PSALM 21 TEACH?

☐ I listened to the song

☐ I can say verse 7 by heart

☐ I can say what it teaches

☐ I know the picture word

Answers: Blanks: strength · crowns · enemies · Check yourself: 1. B (v. 3) · 2. C (v. 4) · 3. A (v. 7)