



Genre: Poetic Language (read it like poetry and songs)

### 6 Poetic Language Observations

1. There are 5 poetic books, (Job, Psalm, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon) but poetic language is used throughout the Bible.
2. Poetic language, as Soul Food, empowers our hearts and minds to communicate to God and like God.
3. Poetic language includes prayers and songs written for stringed instruments and teaches our hearts to worship God.

*Emotions – Joy, sorrow, success, failure, hope, regret, thanksgiving, confession, complaining, praise, petition.*

4. Poetic language, as Soul Food, reveals the attributes and actions of God for us to contemplate.
5. Poetic language includes wise proverbs and riddles that empower practical decisions on life.
6. Poetic language uses various forms of parallelism where two or more parts of one sentence refer to the same subject in complementary ways.

***Synonymous Parallelism:** The second line reinforces the meaning in the first line with little or no added meaning.*

***Antithetical Parallelism:** The second line asserts the opposite of the first line. Look for the word “but.”*

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**Read** and discover what God communicated to the people *then*.

Poetic Language Reading Rules

Read the text 2-3 times and identify either:

1. What God attribute is the text empowering your soul to contemplate? Forgiveness? Power? Grace? Etc...
2. What emotion is the text empowering your soul to communicate to God? Worship? Praise? Confession? Complaining? Etc...

How is the text directing you to think and make decisions like God?

**Reflect**, pray and determine what God communicating to us *now*.

Poetic Language Reflecting Rules

Write, in your own words, a 2-3 sentence prayer or revelation summarizing how the text (as food for your soul) helped you express yourself to God or make a decision like God.

*Note: Keep in mind to identify examples of either type of Parallelism and reflect on the message God is communicating to you by them.*

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**Respond** and do something. Pray and decide what God wants to do in and through you in the *future*.

For the next 7 days, read the daily devotionals for Soul Food, Book Three of *The Royal*.



"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood" 1 Peter 2:9-10

Using the guidelines below, here is a daily Bible text for you to READ, REFLECT and RESPOND.

► NOTE: I have given the topic of the Psalm so you, the reader, can know what emotion or God attribute to look for.

**Praise as Protector**

MON – Psalm 66

TUE – Psalm 111

**Prayer of Repentance**

WED – Psalm 25

THU – Psalm 51

**Messianic and Anticipate Christ**

FRI – Psalm 2

SAT – Psalm 72

SUN – Psalm 101



**Read** and discover what God communicated to the people at the time of the writing.

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How is the text directing you to think and make decisions like God?



**Reflect**, pray and determine what is God communicating to us in the present.

Write, in your own words, a 2-3 sentence prayer or revelation summarizing how the text, as Soul Food, has helped you express yourself to God or make a decision like God.

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**Respond** and do something!

Do something by praying and deciding what God wants to do in and through you in the future. Identify the steps of faith you need to take in order to facilitate God's promises. What am I going to do to apply my faith to be more of who God wants me to be? Is there sin to repent of? Is there something you can praise God for? Is there someone you need to forgive, serve or speak to? How are you worshipping God in your life?

Further applications – Send a challenge to people in your acquaintance. Be bold in what the Lord is showing you as a step of faith. Use social media to spread the Word of God (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Blog, email, etc.).

**Devotional necessities:** A Bible, pen or pencil, notebook or journal, a quiet place, a regular time, a prayerful heart of faith

# BOOK THREE: SOUL FOOD

## SOUL FOOD: POETIC LANGUAGE

*{Poetic Language empowers our hearts and minds to communicate to God}*

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2. What emotion is the text empowering your soul to communicate to God.  
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How is the text directing you to think and make decisions like God?