LIFE OF DAVID—HANDOUT 23

Geerhardus Vos, "The Eschatology of the Psalter." Appendix to *The Pauline Eschatology* (1991) 323-65.

Macrostructure (2 Sam. 21-24)

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A. Crisis (21:1-14)B. David's Warriors (21:15-22)C. Psalm (22)
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C'. Psalm (23:1-7)

B'. David's Warriors (23:8-39)

A'. Crisis (24)

Macrostructure (1 and 2 Samuel)

Hannah's Song (1 Sam. 2:1-10)

Body of 1 and 2 Samuel

David's Songs (2 Sam. 22-23:1-7)

Narrative Vectors: ↑ ↓

2 Samuel 22 (cf. Ps. 18)

Inclusio:

v. 1 v. 51

v. 1 v. 49

Superscription (v. 1)

Broad Outline

Relational Vocabulary:

Immanuel Bundled in Life of God Father-son Savior

Death (v. 5a)

Belial (v. 5b) Sheol (v. 6a)

Death (v. 6b)

Theophanic March of God (Ex. 19:16-20; Jdg. 5:4-5; Ps. 68:7-8; Hab. 3)

Merismus:

Always grace, never merit in any sinner at any time in any way. "Human merits perished through Adam" (Augustine). "We must not imagine any meriting or deserving in any mortal creature" (John Calvin). Read Scripture as a Protestant, with Paul, with John, with Christ, with all the writers of the Scriptures. "If it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works [merits], otherwise grace is no longer grace" (Rom. 11:6). This applies to blessings in this world (temporal, earthly blessings, such as blessings in the land of Canaan) as well as blessings in the world to come (eternal, heavenly blessings, such as blessings in the everlasting 'Canaan').