*Tehillim*--The Book ofPsalms Barnett Kamen bdkamen@gmail.com

# Syllabus

Welcome to a 10 unit course on *Tehillim*, the Book of Psalms, the first book in Ketuvim, the Writings. Each lecture on average runs about 15 minutes, and there is quiz for each unit. It is recommended that you read the Book of Psalms before and after listening to the lectures. It is also recommended that you read the quiz questions prior to listening as well. The translation of the Hebrew text is mine, so it might be slightly different if you are reading a translation along with the lecture.

Required Readings:
The Book of Psalms--I recommend the JPS Translation
The Book of Psalms--Encyclopedia Judaica

Recommended:
The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy--plato.stanford.edu

Unit I: Introduction to the Book of Psalms
Unit II: The Transcendence of God
Unit III: Divine Providence
Unit IV: The Concern and Care of God
Unit V: The Characterization of God
Unit VI: Prayer and Confession
Unit VII: Wisdom
Unit VIII: The Covenant
Unit IX: Music
Unit X: Happy and Blessed