

**The Psalms:
“You Will Not
Abandon
My Soul”**

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Can you find **Psalm 16** in your Bible? We’ve been exploring how the psalms help us see our King and understand his will for our lives. **Psalm 16** is our last psalm in this series. “Preserve me, O God,” is David’s prayer, “for in you I take refuge” (16:1). But notice especially what David wrote in 16:9-10:

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to _____,
or let your holy one see corruption.

What is “Sheol”? It might help if we notice where else in our Old Testaments the same word is used. For example:

“No, I shall go down to Sheol to my _____, mourning.” (Gen 37:35)

For the waves of _____ encompassed me,
the torrents of destruction assailed me;
the cords of Sheol entangled me;
the snares of death confronted me. (2 Samuel 22:5-6)

As the cloud fades and vanishes,
so he who goes down to Sheol does not come _____. (Job 7:9)

But why would David say what he did in Psalm 16? In order to understand, we have to listen carefully to Peter’s sermon in **Acts 2:29-32**:

“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a _____, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the _____ of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.”

What’s the connection? Why did Peter quote **Psalm 16**? Let’s talk about it...



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Did you hear what David wrote in [Psalm 16:8](#)? “I have set the LORD always before me.” What does that mean? Can we do that same sort of thing today? If so, **HOW?**

What does Peter want to make sure we understand in [Acts 2:29](#)?

[Matthew](#), [Mark](#), [Luke](#) and [John](#) tell us all about the resurrection of Jesus. Let’s read [John 20:1-18](#) together. What can we learn? What did all of this mean?

