Fr. Daoud Lamei - Summary

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Introduction

- Poetic Books of Wisdom
  - How to live with God and in the world
  - Gives us wisdom in the knowledge of God
- Joshua son of Sirach is from the generations that are near to the Lord (i.e. approx 200 years before Christ) - originally in Hebrew but was immediately translated to Greek in the Septuagint
- Canonical Book
- Read from a lot in the Great Lent Lectionary
- St Athanasius, Origen, St Clement all quoted extensively from the Book of Sirach
- 51 Chapters
  - 1-44: Talking about Wisdom and Virtue
    - Fear of God, Humility, Love of others, Honoring parents, Having mercy
    - Also the opposite
  - 44-50: Veneration of the Biblical Characters (Moses, Joshua, Elijah, Josiah, Nehemiah, etc.)
  - 51: Prayer of Joshua Son of Sirach

Headlines

- Chapter 2
  - My son, if you draw near to serve the Lord, Prepare your soul for temptation.
    - The devil likes to attack those who serve more than others, because of his jealousy
  - Set your heart right and be steadfast, And do not strive anxiously in distress

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