

## **PREPARATION**

- Click to listen to the **Podcast** version of Psalms for the Summer Road series!
- If you would prefer to read each entry at your own pace, click to access our Written Transcripts.
- Follow along our reading schedule for each week to keep pace with the study.
- Each question listed below is inspired by the challenges that were presented each entry.
- You **always** have the option to use some or all the questions and/or prepare your own questions.

## Introduction Week

Welcome to our Summer Community Group Series titled Psalms for the Summer Road. As you, "hit the road" this summer, we invite you to join 22 members of our 3Crosses staff as we walk through the *ENTIRE* book of Psalms!

That's right, all 150 chapters! Are you up for the challenge?!?!

Below, we have outlined a reading calendar for your group that follow each episode. Additionally, each entry will include study questions based on the challenges presented in that day's episode!

We recommend that you (1<sup>st</sup>) listen and read through all of the episodes throughout the week *then* (2<sup>nd</sup>) discuss the questions of the previous week with your group.

That means before you start to dive into the Psalms in week 1, make sure everyone has access to the study and here are some introductory questions you can ask your group:

**Question #1:** Describe your experiences with the book of Psalms up to this point! Here are some possible questions that your group can answer: What is your favorite Psalm and why? Have you ever read the Psalms from cover to cover before? How has the book helped you the most (or least) over the course of your faith journey? What has been the most challenging aspect of the Psalms that you would like to see addressed in this series? What is the one thing that you are hoping to take away from this series?

**Question #2:** Read Luke 24:44; 2 Timothy 3:14-17 – Both of these texts point out that all scriptures are meant to point us to Jesus. How have the Psalms pointed you to Jesus as you have read them in the past? How would you like to see your relationship with Jesus grow from now until the end of this series?



## Week 8

Weekly Question: Which entry stood out to you the most this week and why?

Day 1 Reading – Psalms 138 – 145

Questions – Over this series, we have been taking the concepts we have learned from the Psalms and applying them to the life of David. What has been the most important thing you have learned from the Psalms that have specifically looked at the life of David? How does the fact that even David was looking for a resolution to his sin problem deepen your heart of **praise** as you continue to look to the new and better Messiah and continue to meditate on the word of the Lord?

Day 2 Reading – Psalms 146 – 147

Questions – What are some things that you have taken away from this series that you can begin to praise God for? How might you want to change your praise and worship understanding that we are singing praises *to* God and *about* God?

Day 3 Reading – Psalm 148 Question – What are some unique ways that you see the works of God around you? What did you see this week that you can praise God for?

Day 4 Reading – Psalms 149

Questions – As we reflect on our journey through the Psalms, why do you believe Jesus combines the ideas of final justice and praise? What might it look like for you to enter into praise by recognizing God's ultimate justice?

## Day 5 Reading – Psalms 150

Question – "Let's be done with worship that is *always* weak and unexciting. If you cannot sing loudly and make loud music to praise the God who has redeemed you in Jesus Christ and is preparing you for heaven, perhaps it is because you do not really know God or the gospel at all. If you do know him, hallelujah." As we continue our journey with Christ, how do you feel the Spirit is challenging you in regard to the way you worship and praise Him? What is one takeaway that you would like to hold onto from this entire series?