

## LIFE GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

These questions are for the **November 24, 2019** sermon, "Giving Thanks." Please read the sermon passage (Psalm 92) together out loud.

### Sermon Outline

AS WE CONSIDER OUR SOVEREIGN GOD, WE GIVE THANKS TO HIM FOR . . .

1. The nature of His works (1-4)
  - a. Believers are called to recognize the LORD's hand of blessing and give Him thanks, sing His praises and declare his lovingkindness.
  - b. Our struggles are real, but God's strength and lovingkindness overwhelms them all.
  - c. Bookend your days with disciplined reflections:
    - i. In the morning: declare his steadfast love.
    - ii. In the evening: declare his faithfulness.
2. The assurance of His victories (5-9)
  - a. God has provided victory after victory.
  - b. When things are coming apart, wait upon the Lord to put them back together.
  - c. Key verse in this psalm (8): "You, O Lord, are on high forever."
3. The flourishing of His people (10-15)
  - a. God's people will flourish forever under his reign.
  - b. God's people will bear fruit, even in our old age.
  - c. God's people will ever give Him thanks for saving us.

### Life Group Discussion Questions

1. Based on #1, above: What are some of the overwhelming circumstances that you are dealing with? How has life been hard or disappointing? In what way do you feel vulnerable? Note that this is this psalm is a "Song for the Sabbath." In what way do you feel exhausted?
2. Based on #1, above: It is good to sing the Lord thanks, and to sing His praises and to declare His faithfulness in the morning and in the evening. What are your patterns and disciplines for declaring the Lord's faithfulness and strength? When do you sing His praises?
3. Based on #2, above: The Lord has won "victory after victory." Describe some of the victories and examples of God's irrefutable strength in creation and the atonement. Describe some of God's victories and examples of his strength in history. Describe some of his victories that you have seen in your life. Can you recall a time when you were vulnerable, but God saved you?
4. Based on #2, above: God is on high forever (8). No purpose of this most high God can ever be thwarted. In what way do you feel the rock-solid certainty of God being "most high" every day? How does the discipline of morning and evening declarations of praise help you feel and believe that God reigns perfectly?
5. Based on #3, above: Some of the greatest fruit that we can bear is to remain faithful in seeing, believing and declaring God's praise even when life feels overwhelming. How are you doing with this? Is there any area of your life where you are fretting? Doubting? Whining? What might God be calling you to today?