

## LIFE GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

## *Psalms Series*

These questions are for the **February 19, 2023**, sermon, "Exclusive Glory." Please read the sermon passage (Psalm 115) together out loud.

### Passage Outline

#### **WE PRAISE THE LORD FOR . . .**

1. The exclusive glory he possesses. (1-8)
  - a. Not to us: we will not praise / glorify ourselves.
  - b. To your name: to the name of the LORD only. No other god.
    - i. Our God is in heaven and does whatever he pleases.
    - ii. He has no rivals. None at all.
  - c. We give glory to the only one who possesses glory.
2. The abundant blessings he provides. (9-15)
  - a. We are called to trust the One who is completely trustworthy.
    - i. Where there is exclusive glory, there must be exclusive trust.
    - ii. We find him trustworthy in the midst of our heaviest afflictions.
  - b. He remembers / blesses those who trust him.
3. The sovereign authority he demonstrates. (16-18)
  - a. Look at the beauty and expanse of the created world that the LORD made.
  - b. God has placed mankind as managers of the world he created.

### Life Group Discussion Questions

1. Based on #1, above: We might be tempted to take credit for houses or careers or relationships or financial gains, but all glory belongs to the LORD alone. For what accomplishments are you tempted to receive credit / glory? What is the truth about those accomplishments? How do we need to re-train our thinking and speaking in order to give glory to God alone?
2. Based on #2, above: Often, it is the afflictions which cause us to notice, rely upon and rest God's blessings. How have afflictions been used to increase your trust in God?
3. Based on #3, above: This world belongs to God, yet entrusted to us as managers. What is the role of the dedicated Christian "manager" in taking care of the earth?