

Week 3 Psalm 100 - AEMMC Life Groups



1 Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

2 Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

3 Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

5 For the LORD is good

and his love endures forever;

his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Week 4 - Psalm 100

Read and Discuss

Read the Psalm together out loud. Have one person read v 1-3, and another read 4-5.

Discuss:

What does the Psalm teach about God's character?

What powerful images does the Psalm use to tell us about God's care for us?

In the Old Testament Israel met God in the Temple. But now WE are the Temple of the Holy Spirit. What does it mean for us to "enter his courts with praise?"

"His love endures forever" is one of the most common testimonies in the Psalms. This little phrase is connected in the Bible to the word "covenant."

Discuss the meaning and practice of "covenant" in the Old Testament.

How many Bible covenants do you remember? Who were they made with?

What does it mean that we talk of the Bible as "old" covenant and "new" covenant? How are we a people of the covenant?

Share Stories:

Do we usually connect "God" and "joy?" Are we a joyful people? What kind of things limit our joy? What kind of practice might expand it?

What are you doing to enjoy God and God's world?

PRAY Together

Many of us have little experience of joy. Pray for one another that God will make himself known. When we know God as a faithful and good father, we grow into an experience of joy and thankfulness.

If your group is larger than six, you might divide into groups of two to pray for each other.