

Small Group Study Guide- Psalm 100
Prayer and Praise

"The most valuable thing the Psalms do for me is to express the same delight in God which made David dance."

-C.S. Lewis

Psalm 100:1,4- *Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless his name!*

- How do we tend to come into church on a Sunday morning? Look at the exhortation again, do we model thanksgiving?
- Thanksgiving is a confession of worship, adoration and/or a sacrifice of praise. How can we view our worship as a sacrifice of praise?
- Share your thoughts on worship via thanksgiving.

Psalm 100:2- *Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!*

- Worship and service are interconnected and our attitude is to be one of gladness. What should this look like in our lives? (Compare with Psalm 1 and Psalm 150)

Psalm 100:3- *Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

- God is our Creator and owner. We belong to Him. Compare this imagery with John 10:11-18 and discuss.

Psalm 100:5- *For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.*

- What does it mean that God is good? (Psalm 54)
- Discuss: God's love endures forever. (Psalm 136)
- How would you define God's faithfulness to all generations? (2 Thessalonians 3:1-5)