

LIFEgroup Discussion Questions Sacred Psalms: Stop, Listen and Act August 20, 2017

Read: Psalm 95

- 1. What are different warning signs or sounds? What are we to do when we come upon them or hear them? Have you ever ran a stop sign? What are the potential consequences of ignoring such warning signs and especially a stop sign? As you begin today know the Lord gives stop signs and warning signs for our good and ultimately for our souls.
- 2. What does the writer of Psalm 95 invite us to (95.1-2)? Where does a song and shout of joy ultimately come from (Matthew 12.34)? What were you and I created to do? What does it mean that 'worship is the consummation of joy'? What does it mean that the Lord is "the rock of our salvation" (95.1)?
- 3. What do we learn about the Lord in Psalm 95.3-5? What does it mean when it says, "<u>in whose hand</u> are the depths of the earth, the peaks of the mountains are His also"?
- 4. The writer speaks of the grandness of the Lord's creation and then comes down to you and I. When it speaks of God being our Maker what three ways were mentioned in the sermon that speaks of such in relationship to all, to the Jews and to Christians? How does such truth speak to the issue in our day of bigotry, racism and hate? What should our ultimate response be (95.6)?
- 5. Who interrupts the invitation to worship with a word of strong warning (Hebrews 3.7)? Time wise *when* is the warning for and *who* is it for? What are we encourage to do and not to do? What does it mean to harden your hearts and especially with in view of the Israelites in the wilderness and in reference to Meribah (Exodus 17.1-7) and Massah (Number 20.1-13)?
- 6. What does "not entering into My rest" mean in relationship to the Israelites in the wilderness and then to others even today? We must take heed to the warning as well just as Jesus also spoke of. Read Matthew 7.21-24. What is significant when it comes to our life with Jesus? To enter into the Lord's rest what must one do?

Pray.