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**Psalm 95- Worship Him**

**Icebreaker-** Describe a time that you felt most connected to worshipping God with your whole heart.

Read Ps 95 together. Pastor Darren declared the truth from this chapter that we are to worship God with these four focuses:

**Worship Him w/ gladness and thankfulness because of His goodness (v 1,2).** Why is it important to come to the Lord w/ thanksgiving? Pastor Darren gave the illustration of a child who receives many toys for Christmas and within 24 hours is looking for something new are we ever like that w/ God? Why? How can focusing on the goodness of God to you grow your worship? What are some “if it hadn’t been for Him” statements you can share and remember

**Worship Him w/ awe because of His greatness (v 3-6).** The greatness of God is beyond what we could imagine so let’s not get use to God. His creation attests to His greatness and demands our awe in fear and marveling! How can focusing on that you have one creator who knows everything about you grow your awe of God? Are there things or people that you are giving your awe to before God? Why does misplaced worship in your life dim your awe of God? Share, some ways you know of God’s greatness!

**Worship Him w/ with surrender because He is our committed shepherd (7-8).** Verse 7 says “For He is our God”, why is humbling ourselves before God so crucial? What does it mean that we are the people of his pasture? Why is it vital to believe He is our shepherd to enable us to surrender our ways to Him? What is something that is challenging for you to surrender to Him?

**Worship Him w/ hearts that trust and not hearts that test (v 9-11).** What does it mean that they had “put me to the test” in verse 9? Read Exodus 17:1-7 and discuss. Why does God deserve your trust? How does knowing who God is enable us to fully worship him and help us to not go astray in our hearts?

**Personal application**

* **Everything doesn’t deserve our awe! Make a value list and write down what the world suggests the value is, what the true value is in your life, and then what is the value for eternity.**
* **Take some time to worship God together by calling out his goodness and greatness to each other in praise**
* **Share one thing you will focus on to surrender this week to grow your worship of Him.**