# WEEK EIGHT

PSALMS: A VOICE FOR ALL SEASONS

### WEEKLY READING

The remaining psalms are listed below. Read each day's psalms in ESV or CSB. On two of the days, choose a second translation to read from. Highlight in your Bible the passages you would like to echo in prayer. Record the places you find song lyrics originating from these psalms.

Day 1: Psalms 15, 24 Day 2: Psalms 46, 48 Day 3: Psalms 68, 76 Day 4: Psalms 82, 84 Day 5: Psalms 87, 122, 134

### **REMAINING PSALMS**

What do you see in these psalms? How would you classify them?

#### CROSS-REFERENCES

This week, as we explore the remaining psalms, we will cross-reference four passages found in these psalms. Use these questions to unpack the references.

•Who is referencing the psalm? •What circumstances surround the reference?

Psalm 132:11 // Acts 2:30 Psalm 82:6 // John 10:34 Psalm 94:11 // 1 Corinthians 3:20 Psalm 48:2 // Matthew 5:35

## READ, REFLECT, AND WRITE

As you seek to write a psalm this week, think of some of your previous prayers. What are some of the unconventional things you talk to God about? Speak freely to God about whatever is on your mind.

# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

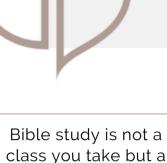
• Psalms 122 and 134 are identified as Psalms of Ascent, sung during pilgrimages to Jerusalem. How does the practice of corporate worship shape our journey of faith? In what ways do you participate in "pilgrimages" or spiritual practices that help you draw closer to God, whether literal or metaphorical?

• Reflecting on how Jesus draws on the Psalms in His teaching, and the importance of considering the circumstances around a scriptural reference: How does the context of a verse or passage change its meaning for you? Why is it important to know the circumstances of a psalm? Can you think of a time when understanding the context of a passage made a difference in how you applied it to your life?

• During our study of Psalms, what rhythms or habits have helped you grow in your faith? What are some new rhythms you'd like to develop?

#### FOCAL VERSE

"I lift my eyes toward the mountains. Where will my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth." Psalms 121:1–2



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