

## **Suggested Discussion Questions for 1/21/2024**

### **Praise & Thanksgiving Service, Psalm 95**

1. What are some ways that cultivate praise in your spiritual journey?
2. Like several other passages in Scripture, Psalm 95 connects praise and thanksgiving. Find at least one other passage that connects them. What do you find in that passage that is similar and dissimilar?
3. Psalm 95 naturally breaks into 2 sections or movements. Why do you think the psalmist puts them in this order? How do you see the second stanza naturally following the first?
4. What does this psalm teach you about God? About mankind?
5. What is the biblical significance of bowing/kneeling? (Consider both the literal and figurative aspects. You might want to look up a few verses in similar contexts that also speak of kneeling or bowing.)
6. What was the significance of hard heartedness being linked to Israel at Meribah and Massah?
7. What are some consequences of “not knowing God’s ways”?
8. What was brought to the foreground in this service’s music and meditation that specifically encouraged or challenged you?
9. Do you sense any hard heartedness in yourself? If it is or was there, how would you know?
10. What would you like to discuss in this passage that hasn’t yet been addressed?
11. If time remains, spend some time sharing praises and thanksgivings.