



Sermon Questions

Date: *May 7, 2023* | Scripture: *Psalm 95 (Grace-filled worship)*

1. Read the passage from the sermon together. What do you find convicting? What do you find challenging? What do you find confusing?
2. Read Exodus 17:1-7, the passage this psalm references. How is Israel's "trial" of God related to their failure to worship?
3. What experiences in your life have become barriers to worship? When have you been in a place where you were tempted to accuse God rather than worship him?
4. How does Jesus model worshipping God in the face of difficulties?
5. What is the relationship between worship and rest? Read Hebrews 3:7-4:13 and look for the way these two things are connected.
6. What is the relationship between worship and rest?

Inward Grace in Action

We specifically aim toward "grace-filled" worship. Think about what that means. It is easy for worship to become rote, whether at church or at home. Worship can also produce a sense of guilt if one thinks they're not doing it right or not "feeling it" enough. Grace-filled worship does not lead to shame or to boredom. Instead, it comes from a place of profound love and gratitude and leads to, among many things, rest.

- What does it look like for personal or family worship to be grace-filled?
- What does it look like for corporate church worship to be grace-filled?

ACTION: Assess your relationship with worship, whether private or corporate. Spend some time bringing your findings to God in prayer and ask for him to bring new, deeper life into your worship experience.

As an additional resource, consider reading through [our church's philosophy of worship](#). This document lays out our church's approach to corporate worship, explaining why we organize our liturgy the way we do, how we select our worship songs, and why we prioritize the things we pursue.

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Exodus 17:1-7
- Psalm 145
- Zephaniah 3:9-20
- John 4:19-30
- Romans 12:1-7
- Hebrews 3:7-4:13

Serve: there are lots of opportunities to serve in our church family. [Click Here](#) to serve as a volunteer.

Pray for for the teachers and mission staff with the Philemon Project in Lebanon, that God would strengthen them in faith, hope, and love as they serve vulnerable children.

Reach out if you need assistance:

- Call our church office at 703.821.0800
- Request aid from our Deacons' Fund at