

Home Small Group Lesson
Confidence in Crooked Times
Psalm 125

Start It Up

- **Opening Icebreaker:**

*In honor of Memorial Day, tell one story about a U.S. Veteran who is closest to you. What one way have they impacted your life?

Talk it Over

- **Sermon in a Sentence:**

- *The Lord surrounds His people,* (v.1-2)
- *...and we are "under God,"* (v.3-5a)
- *...so, Relax!* (v.5b)

- v.1-2 should be memorized by every Christian. Read it out loud as a group. How do these words comfort you? Describe one time in your life when you felt surrounded and protected by the Lord.
- David says that those who trust in the Lord "*cannot be moved.*" Put this test to real life. Does it feel like your faith is indeed moved at times? What do you think David means by not being moved?
- Read David's prayer for his country and leaders in v.4-5. What would it look like to pray this today? Do you feel it's still appropriate to pray that God blesses leaders who do good and removes those who are crooked?
- This chapter ends with declaring "Peace" to the nation. On Sunday, Pastor Craig said it this way: "Relax!" We know how the story ends. What is your personal level of peace right now in our nation? Describe how confident you feel...or how uncertain you feel.

Pray it Over:

- Thank God for the freedoms of our nation, and the ability we have to worship.
- Pray David's prayer in v.4-5 for America, both our leaders and our people. Pray that we are "in tune" with God.
- Pray for the "re-opening" of New Hope. Pray that our elders have incredible wisdom to navigate the complexity; pray that the people who gather will be filled with grace and peace.
- Pray for businesses and organizations enduring massive changes due to the pandemic. Pray that the truth of Ps. 125 would comfort them and give them strength.