



## SERMON STUDY GUIDE

"PSALM 107" ON JULY 21-24, 2022

### CONNECT

How did last week's passage we read/discussed affect your week?

### DISCOVER: PSALM 107

- What did the passage say (in your own words) or what impacted you/did you take away from the sermon this week?
- How does this passage or did the sermon point you to Jesus (teach us about Jesus)?
- Did you find anything challenging about this passage (words you didn't understand, phrases that didn't make sense, etc.)?

**PSALM 107 is a testimony to the world of the Lord's deliverance! The psalmist describes how God is Faithful, God is Sovereign, God loves us, and God hears our cries, delivering us from our distress no matter what the circumstance! Let the redeemed thank Him, and let us all seek the wisdom of living our lives according to His steadfast love and faithfulness shown in His Word! Consider how He has delivered you; what is your story?**

Psalm 107 describes four people groups who cry out to God in their time of distress: 1) Wanderers, 2) Prisoners, 3) Fools, and 4) The Capable.

- Take the time to describe each of the 4 people groups: what identifies/defines them, what drives them to behave as they do, what their relationship to God is, and what ultimately causes them to cry out to God.
- Each of the groups came to a point where they cried out to the LORD. What brought them to that point, and what was His response to their cries – in what ways did He deliver them from their distress?
- What do you learn about the heart of God from His response to their cries and from other descriptors in Psalm 107? How does this shape your perception of who God is and how you interact with Him day by day?
- What examples of each of these groups do you see in the world around you or in your own family/work/friend/personal experience?
- We have all been wanderers, imprisoned, foolish, or independently relied upon our own capabilities in difficult times. Which of these groups can you most identify with? Can you describe how you responded when you have cried out to God and were delivered? Do you have a story to tell?

Verse 22 speaks of 'telling of His deeds in songs of joy' – every people group described in this psalm ultimately had a story to tell! The psalmist stresses the importance of being thankful and of telling our stories of God's faithfulness and deliverance in our lives!

- The psalmist repeatedly emphasizes the importance of being thankful for the steadfast love and the wondrous works of the LORD. How can a spirit of thanksgiving change our perspective in life?
- Why is it important for us to tell our stories?
- What story of God's faithfulness or deliverance do you have to tell? Have you shared it with others? If not, what keeps you from doing so?
- Psalm 107:43: Whoever is wise, let him attend to these things; let them consider the steadfast love of the LORD. How will you apply this verse to your life this week as you move about your world?

### RESPOND

- How does this passage encourage you, challenge you, or change you in your efforts to become more like Jesus?
- What is one thing you learned about yourself from God's Word? How will you respond in obedience this week?
- Who is someone you can have a conversation with about what Jesus is doing in your life or invite to join you at a CU Church gathering.



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### PRAY

... for each other and spend time praising God. Pray that he will show you how to better love God and love people.