Life Group STUDY GUIDE

What you will need to supplement this guide:

- 1. A copy of the outline provided for notes on this message (copy from message or downloaded from the COASTAL APP.
- 2. A Bible or Bible APP to refer to verses.

PURSUING LIFE TOGETHER

SUNDAY MESSAGE REVIEW

NOTE to the Life Group Leader: This guide is provided as a tool to assist you in facilitating a structured discussion with your group. When used in conjunction with the outline notes and a Bible this tool will ensure that your group will *Engage Authentically*. The questions are merely recommended "talk starters". It is important for you to let God help you navigate through the conversation as you *pursue life together* as a group.

OPEN IN PRAYER

STARTER QUESTIONS:

Where have you seen God at work in your life since we last met?

What stood out to you from the message this week?

MAIN IDEA:

- REVIEW THE MAIN TOPIC OF THE MESSAGE. Allow time for discussion.
- READ THE MAIN SCRIPTURE FROM THE MESSAGE OUTLINE.

How did this verse speak to you in your life?

REVIEW THE SUB-TOPICS of the MESSAGE.

Have someone read each of the verses that were highlighted in the message, and briefly discuss.

Is there an area that you feel God is speaking to you through this message?

FINAL THOUGHTS:

- SUMMARIZE the main idea of this message.

Would anyone like to share your thoughts about what we discussed today?

How can we pray for you as a group?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Summer of Psalms

Why Worship? August 6, 2017

Psalm 24 is a Psalm of Worship. It is meant to be sung out loud.

Worshiping Jesus may be the single most important thing we do. But why should we do it?

Worship begins with what and ends with who!

"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for He has founded upon the seas and established it upon the rivers." Psalm 24:1-2 (ESV)

"Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob." Psalm 24:3-6 (ESV)

"Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!" Psalm 24:7-10 (ESV)

True worship can be defined as: The expression of God's worth in our lives!

Fortunately for us, your bible is a "**text-pert**" on worship and the reasons why. Our opening text says: "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein," David penned that <u>God is the Progenitor/Creator of all!</u>

Here's some context: King David is believed to have written this Psalm as the ark of God was returned to Jerusalem. The original context is found however, in **2 Samuel 6:12-15**.

Worship began outside, BEFORE it ever was inside!

There's the question of who can enter the Temple of God? The requirement is clean hands and a pure heart.

v. 3: "Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?" and the singers continue on with, "He who has clean hands and a pure heart."

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23 (ESV)

The Good News is that, the music continues on with even more enthusiasm!

v. 7: "Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in."

Our response to what Christ has done. Allows us to lift up our heads!