Week 32- Questions to Consider

Psalm 93 ~ Psalm 94 ~ Psalm 95 ~ Proverbs 20:1-15

Small Group Warm Up Question:

What do you think about miracles continuing today?

- 1. What comes to mind when you think of a King, Queen or royalty? What comes to mind when you read Psalm 93:1-2? How does it help us to remember that our God is King of Kings and Lord of Lords?

 2. Why are floods, rivers, and oceans such demonstrations of chaos? What sort of chaos do you observe in the world today? What sort of chaos is in your life currently? How does it help to remember that our God is "mightier" than all of our personal and global chaos? (Psalm 93:3-4)
- 3. Do you trust your government? Judicial system? Why or why not? How does Psalm 93:5 give you confidence in God's Word and God's reign?
- 4. What kind of wickedness and evil in our community and world alarms you the most? Why? Do you see any overlap with the specific evils mentioned to God in Psalm 94:1-7? How might this Psalm guide your prayers to God against the current day evils that disturb and concern you?
- 5. Why do you think the Psalm writer uses the questions and statements of Psalm 94:8-11 to address the foolish ones and evil doers? What kind of questions might you ask, or statements would you make, in addressing the lost today for the sake of their salvation? 6. How does Psalm 94:12-15 encourage you to "not grow weary in doing good" (Galatians 6:9, 2 Thessalonians 3:13)?
- 7. When are some times that God "held" you up, encouraged your soul, and strengthened you? (Psalm 94:16-23)? How does it comfort you to know that God will ultimately "wipe out" all who continue in wickedness and sin?
- 8. Have you ever tried kneeling when you pray? Does it help? What postures help you in prayer? What postures are less helpful to you in prayer? (Psalm 95:6) How has God shown Himself as a faithful shepherd to you over your life? (Psalm 95:7)
- 9. Why do you think Proverbs 20:1 is such a good warning about drunkenness? What lessons have you learned the hard way about the dangers of addictions? What practices do you have that protect you from the dangers of addictive substances?

See also: "What does the Bible really say about alcohol?" www.trustworthyword.com/alcohol

More questions @ www.southfork.church/psalms-proverbs-discussion-guide

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August 13, 2023

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Hannah's Prayer/Song - 1 Samuel 2:6–8 "The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up. [7] The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low and he exalts. [8] He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world."

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This Next Week's Psalms & Proverbs Reading Plan:

Week 33: Psalm 96 ~ Psalm 97 ~ Psalm 98 ~ Proverbs 20:16-30

- Hope & Purpose in Jesus: www.southfork.church/jesus
- Daily Verse by Text Message: remind.com/join/sfbcdevo
- Our Plan: www.southfork.church/2023-bible-reading-plan

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