**Our Joy in the King - 12/16 Discussion Questions**

Psalm 95-96

***Review***

* Anything we love, trust or obey above God is an *idol* – an empty box.

*“Like a foolish man who built his house on cardboard.”* Matt. 7:26

*“Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.”* Psalm 95:1

**How to Worship the Lord:**

1. Find your Joy in the King
* The Savior, Lord, Creator, Shepherd and Judge
1. Fight for Faith in the King
* Resist delay, doubt, deception & disobedience
1. Fill the World with News of the King
* Daily conversation & Global proclamation

***Connect***

1. Are you an online shopper or a “go to the store” shopper? Why?
2. What are you happy about right now in your life?

***Read Psalm 95***

***Discuss***

1. What does the first half of this Psalm call us to (v. 1-7)? What about the second half?
2. What happened in Exodus 17:1-7 that made God so angry? What does quarreling, complaining and testing God reveal about someone’s heart?

***Read Psalm 96***

***Discuss***

1. How is this song like Psalm 95? How is it different?
2. In both Psalms, what characteristics of God do you see? How does God’s nature move us to worship Him?

***Apply***

1. How are you seeking to find your joy in Jesus right now? What are your “empty box” idols that you look to for happiness apart from God?
2. How are you fighting for faith in King Jesus right now? What is causing you to doubt His goodness, power or plan?
3. How are you seeking to share the good news of King Jesus right now? Who are you praying for this holiday season?

***Pray***

1. How can we pray for you this week?