# **Discussion Guide**

## questions to help start or continue conversations about faith

Discussion Guides accompany the weekly message.

### Passage: Psalm 24

#### **Observation (look at the text):**

- v. 1&2 Who does the earth, the world, belong to?
- v. 3&4 How does David describe the one who may enter God's presence?
- v. 5 What does the one who enters God's presence receive?
- v. 8-10 Who is the King of glory?

#### Interpretation (understand what it means):

• v. 1&2 – On what basis does the earth and the world belong to the Lord?

#### Read Colossians 1: 9-23

- Colossians 1:16 & 17 By Whom were all things created? Why did He create all things? What does He do with all things?
- Colossians 1:12-14 How does God make it possible for us to enter His presence in His Kingdom?
- Psalm 24:5 refers to receiving blessings and righteousness from God. How does this passage from Colossians help you understand the blessings and righteousness we have in and through Jesus?
- Colossians 1:13-19 Who is the King of glory?

#### Application (apply the word of God to life):

• God loves you! He has made all things, including you. All things are made by Him and for Him. What does it mean to you that God loves you and He has made you for Himself?

- David asked, "who may approach the Lord?" and he concluded only those with clean hands and a pure heart. In Colossians 1:14, we read that in Jesus we have the forgiveness of sins. When Jesus forgives your sins, He gives you clean hands and a pure heart. What sins do you need to confess to Jesus and ask Him for forgiveness?
- Colossians 1 speaks of many blessings we have in and through Jesus. (Knowledge, wisdom and understanding; the blessing of bearing fruit in good works, and being strong in His might and growing in steadfastness, patience, and joy; the blessing of sharing in the inheritance of the saints in Light; and the blessing of being reconciled to God, through Jesus.) When you think of the blessing of God, are these the things that come to mind? The next time you ascend God's Holy Hill and do as Colossians 1:11 & 12 says, "joyously give thanks," in addition to your physical blessings, also thank God for your spiritual blessings that are eternal in Christ.

