

# SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

For the week of June 20-26, 2021

## “ASCRIBE TO THE LORD”

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### GETTING STARTED

To the facilitator: Use this section to introduce the topic. If possible, give a brief recap of the sermon.

Share a memorable point, a spiritual lesson, a personal application, a question, or something that challenged you from the sermon last Sunday.

What is one habit that you have that might not be “normal” to other people?

### GROUP DISCUSSION

Read Psalms 29:1-2.

1. Pastor Nic talked about different ways we can evaluate a worship service (i.e. family reunion, psychologist’s office, entertainment, classroom, Netflix). Are these wrong? Which one resonates with you the most?
2. What do you think is the function of verses 1-2 in this psalm? What are we commanded to do? What does the word “ascribe” mean? What for you personally is the challenge of “giving to God” in the context of corporate worship?
3. What do you think of this statement: “Why would God be so egocentric that he would want to be worshipped?”
4. In verse 2, David writes, “worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.” What does this mean? How can we practically do this? (See also Isaiah’s experience in Isaiah 6:1-7).
5. Read 1 Corinthians 10:31. Have you ever experienced doing something purposefully to give glory to God? Is this about an attitude, a way or life or simply having some guidelines to live by? How would the right thinking and understanding of this affect the way we worship?
6. When you sing with the church, how engaged are you? What forms of physical expression do you find yourself demonstrating as the thankful response of your

heart to the Lord? Read Psalm 47:1, 6; Exodus 12:27; Psalm 95:6; 134:2; 33:1; 150:3-4; 33:8. How do these verses encourage us to express ourselves in corporate worship?

7. The pandemic has caused many believers to think that worshipping with other believers isn’t worth the bother. Why not just worship God at our own home? What are some legitimate reasons and some unholy reasons that people have today? How can we combat the “habit of neglecting to meet together” (Hebrews 10:25)?

### 8. [NEXT STEPS]

*Worship is an eternal occupation. The more we see God for who he is, the more we will worship him.*

- I will prioritize worship.
- I will come prepared with what to give to God when I come to church.
- I will not be late for church.
- I will prioritize church.

*Don’t forget to:*

- Go through the devotionals everyday this week.
- Have a regular daily time of prayer and reading of God’s Word.
- Commit 30 minutes a day for God’s intervention in this fight against the COVID virus.

### CLOSING THE SESSION.

Close the session by taking the time to pray for one another. Consider the following as you pray:

- Pray for a heart of worship.
- Take the time to pray for our nation, for peace and for the gospel to prosper during this time of the pandemic.
- Pray for those who are hurting, going through fear, worry and anxiety in the group.
- Pray for your unsaved family, friends and loved ones.