## Women's Bible Study "The Piety of the Psalms"

## Week 6 I. Love for God

### 1. God's Attributes

### A. Omniscient and Omnipresent – Psalm 139

- **B.** Eternal Psalm 90
- C. Immutable Psalm 102

#### D. Holy

Psalm 99

<sup>1</sup>The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! *He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!* <sup>2</sup> The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. <sup>3</sup>Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he! <sup>4</sup> The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. <sup>5</sup> Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he! <sup>6</sup> Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called upon his name. They called to the LORD, and he answered them. <sup>7</sup> In the pillar of the cloud he spoke to them; they kept his testimonies and the statute that he gave them. <sup>8</sup> O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

<sup>9</sup> Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy!

He hates evil.

Psalm 5:4-6

<sup>4</sup> For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.
<sup>5</sup> The boastful shall not stand before your eyes;

*you hate all evildoers.* <sup>6</sup> You destroy those who speak lies;

the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

Those who serve must be holy.

Psalm 15:1-3

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup> He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart;

<sup>3</sup> who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

Psalm 24:3-5

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,
<sup>2</sup> for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.
<sup>3</sup> Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?
<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

## E. Righteous and just

Vindicates the righteous

Psalm 9:3-5, 7-9, 16

<sup>3</sup> When my enemies turn back, they stumble and perish before your presence.

<sup>4</sup> For you have maintained my just cause; you have sat on the throne, giving righteous judgment.

<sup>5</sup> You have rebuked the nations; you have made the wicked perish; you have blotted out their name forever and ever.

<sup>7</sup> But the LORD sits enthroned forever; he has established his throne for justice,
<sup>8</sup> and he judges the world with righteousness;

he judges the peoples with uprightness.

<sup>9</sup> The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

<sup>16</sup> The LORD has made himself known; he has executed judgment; the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.

Hears the cries of the righteous

Psalm 34:15-22

- <sup>15</sup> The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.
- <sup>16</sup> The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.
- <sup>17</sup> When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

<sup>18</sup> The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. <sup>19</sup> Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

- 20 He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken.
- <sup>21</sup> Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
- <sup>22</sup> The LORD redeems the life of his servants;none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Psalm 35:23, 28

<sup>23</sup> Awake and rouse yourself for my vindication, for my cause, my God and my Lord!

<sup>28</sup> Then my tongue shall tell of your righteousness and of your praise all the day long.

Upholds the righteous

Psalm 37:16-17, 25, 28-29

<sup>16</sup> Better is the little that the righteous has than the abundance of many wicked.
<sup>17</sup> For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but the LORD upholds the righteous.

<sup>25</sup> I have been young, and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken or his children begging for bread.

<sup>28</sup> For the LORD loves justice; he will not forsake his saints.
They are preserved forever, but the children of the wicked shall be cut off.
<sup>29</sup> The righteous shall inherit the land and dwell upon it forever.

### Establishes righteousness

# Psalm 96:11-13; cf 98:7-9

<sup>11</sup> Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
<sup>12</sup> let the field exult, and everything in it!
<sup>13</sup> before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.
<sup>14</sup> He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

Demands justice on earth

Psalm 82:1-4, 8

God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:
<sup>2</sup> "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Selah
<sup>3</sup> Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.
<sup>4</sup> Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

<sup>8</sup> Arise, O God, judge the earth; for you shall inherit all the nations!