

Sermon Discussion Guide: Among the People Psalm 108

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Key Themes

- **Worship is Witness:** It's meant to be seen and heard by others.
- **Public Faith:** David worships even in dark times, not because of circumstance, but because of God's unchanging character.
- **Praise as Proclamation:** Naming God's goodness pushes back against a self-centered culture.
- **Worship Deconstructs Idolatry:** It confronts false powers and affirms God's reign.
- **Worship as Formation:** It trains us in how to respond to real-life challenges and suffering.
- **Praise in Hard Places:** Worship happens not just in temples or sanctuaries, but in caves, fish bellies, hospitals, and war zones.

Discussion Questions

1. How has your understanding of worship changed over time?
2. Psalm 108:3–4. What is the connection between *why* we worship (v. 4) and *where* we worship (v. 3)?
3. Compare Psalm 20:7 and Psalm 115:5. What modern “chariots and idols” tempt us today?
4. How does public worship challenge cultural values like individualism or self-sufficiency?
5. What might it look like for your worship to spill out “among the people” this week?
6. What practices can help us move from “congratulations” to “praise the Lord” in everyday conversations?