

**The Heart of Worship**  
**Psalm 96**  
October 3, 2021

**1. A summons to worship the Lord EXCLUSIVELY (1-6)**

**2. A summons to worship the Lord SINCERELY (7-9)**

**3. A summons to worship the Lord EXPECTANTLY (10-13)**

## Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others:

1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?
2. What does this psalm teach us about the nature of God?
3. Whom does this psalm summon to worship the Lord?
4. Is it okay to worship the God of the Bible along with another god? Explain.
5. Why are we to fear the Lord?
6. What does it mean that the Lord reigns?
7. What is the good news of salvation that is to be told to the nations? (verse 2)

### *Going Deeper:*

These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

1. How did this sermon challenge your thinking, or grow your understanding?
2. Why does the Lord summon us to sing His praises, not just to speak them?
3. What answer(s) does this psalm give to the question of why we are to devote great resources for the proclamation of God's Word to people on the other side of the world who have their own gods.
4. Does the bowing of your heart and life before the Lord have a significant place in your worship of God? Is the fear of the Lord prominent in your heart as you worship the Lord?

If your answers to the above question are "yes," then explain your answers.

If your answers are "no," then what do you think about this, in light of what we learned from God's Word? Are you okay with this, or are you convicted about this? Explain.

5. How is it good news that the Lord will come and judge the earth? (verses 10-13)
6. How should this passage affect your life this week?