

## Linger

This week's reading: Psalm 2

Discussion Guide: December 24, 2023

### **CHECK UP:**

Memory work: Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night. - Psalm 1:1-2

### **OPEN:**

- Who did you B.L.E.S.S. this past week? What action steps did you take?

Did you have any intentional moments where you lingered on the things of God this past week?  
How did God use that?

### **READ and ASK: Psalm 2; Matthew 3:16-17; Acts 4:25-27, 13:33; Hebrews 1:5**

- What truths do you see this psalm proclaiming that we would benefit lingering on?
- As a song about the king, what do verses 1-3 indicate is happening?
- "Messiah" is Hebrew for "anointed one." Who is the "messiah" of verse 2? How is opposition to Israel's king also opposition to God?
- What comforting news does the psalmist proclaim in the face of warring neighbors (vs 4-6)?
  - o Who is God's son
  - o What makes this psalm a messianic psalm?
- What are some clear instructions that this text gives us?
- What is helpful about reflecting on this Psalm at Christmas time?

### **APPLY:**

- In what way does this Psalm speak to you in your current season of life?
- Laurence Kriegshauser says of this text "the speaker sees beyond the present crisis to abiding realities." In what way do you need to abide in realities (hope of the gospel) even amidst present crisis?
- NEXT STEP: How do you need to take refuge in Jesus this week?

### Memory Work:

Blessed are all who take refuge in him. - Psalm 2:12b

### Next Week's Reading:

Psalm 139