

Magnify the LORD with Me

Small Group Studies – Fall 2022

Session 1: Psalm 34:1-10, Magnify the LORD with Me

Ice Breaker – Tell of a time when you made something in your life bigger than it actually was. Maybe you made a problem a lot bigger than it was, blew someone's comment all out of proportion (in a good or bad way), or took a throw away comment as a definite promise. We're talking about magnifying things in our lives – making the proverbial mountain out of a mole hill.

READ Psalm 34:1-10

1. Microscopes take tiny things and make them bigger. Telescopes take huge, far away things and make them closer. God is not tiny, nor is he far away, but both microscopes and telescopes magnify things. What in your life helps you to make God bigger? (Magnify the LORD)
 - a. Do you ever find yourself “looking through the wrong end of the telescope?” (Making God smaller or more distant) How do you do this?

2. READ vs. 8 out loud together. How does a person take refuge in the LORD?
 - a. When have you intentionally taken refuge in the LORD?
 - b. How did it turn out? Did you taste and see that the LORD is good?

3. READ vs. 1. Sometimes people in our faith tradition (CRC) get the label the frozen chosen. David, on the other hand, says the praise of the LORD will always be on his lips. Where would you place yourself on the scale between our somewhat somber forebears and the exuberant David? (READ 2 Samuel 6:14-15 for another example of David's passionate worship.)

4. How do you magnify the LORD in your personal life?

5. How do you magnify the LORD to others?

6. How can/will you invite others to “Magnify the LORD with me?”