**“There is nothing more perilous to our salvation than a preposterous and perverse worship of God.”**

***—John Calvin***

**What does the sign of the Psalms point toward?**

**Gk. *Psalmos*=Songs**

**Hb. *Tehillim*=Praises**

**“The psalms generally speak to God rather than about God.”**

***—Dianne Bergant***

**The Psalms are a sign pointing toward biblical worship.**

- **Invitation: will we follow the sign of the Psalms toward biblical worship and away from personal worship?**

# Signs of Biblical Worship

## I. Prioritizes God

# The Structure of the Psalms—Five Books

- Book 1: psalms 1-41
- Book 2: psalms 42-72
- Book 3: psalms 73-89
- Book 4: psalms 90-106
- Book 5: psalms 107-150

**The Lord will reign forever, your God,
O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!**

***Psalm 146:10***

**He has not dealt thus with any other nation;
they do not know his rules. Praise the Lord!**

***Psalm 147:20***

**He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!**

***Psalm 148:14***

**to execute on them the judgment written! This is honor for all his godly ones. Praise the Lord!**

***Psalm 149:9***

[1]Praise the Lord! Praise God in his
sanctuary; praise him in his mighty
heavens! [2]Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his excellent
greatness! [3]Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!

[4]Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe! [5]Praise
him with sounding cymbals; praise him with
loud clashing cymbals! [6]Let everything that
has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

*Psalm 150*

addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart,

*Ephesians 5:19*

# Signs of Biblical Worship

I. Prioritizes God

II. Integrates worship and life

# Genres of the Psalms

1. Psalms of Praise—103
2. Psalms of Thanksgiving—30
3. Psalms of Lament—22
4. Psalms of Remembrance—77
5. Psalms of Wisdom—1
6. Psalms of Confidence—23
7. Psalms of Kingship—2

**I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.**

***Romans 12:1***

**“Life is liturgy.”**

***—Ben Conners***

Gk. *Leitourgia*=Public Work

# Signs of Biblical Worship

I. Prioritizes God

II. Integrates worship and life

III. Points to Jesus

# Psalm 2 in the New Testament

1. Mark 1:11
2. Acts 4:25-26
3. Acts 13:33
4. Hebrews 1:5
5. Hebrews 5:5
6. Revelation 12:5
7. Revelation 19:15