



Home Group questions, week beginning 26 July 2020.

Reading, Psalm 51.

Further readings:

Genesis 18.25; Job 9.15; Psalms 7.11; 9.8; 82.8; 89.14; 90.7; 96.13; 103.8-11

Matthew 16.27; John 5.22,25; Acts 17.31; James 2.13

This week we continued our study in the series “God in the Psalms,” and we looked at God revealed to us as a Righteous Judge. We looked, in particular, at Psalm 51, David’s great confession following his adultery with Bathsheba. Although this is a Psalm of confession, it tells us much about God as Judge. We looked at how the New Testament speaks of Jesus as our Judge, and how it teaches us to look forward to a Day of Judgement, when Jesus will return to judge between the faithful and the unbelieving.

1. When you consider how God reveals himself to us in different pictures, e.g., King, Shepherd, Father, do you see Him also as a Judge? If so, is that a positive or negative picture for you?
2. The Bible teaches much about God as a God of justice. How do you respond to that? How well do you think the Church generally deals with issues of justice and the community?
3. What does the Cross say to you about the justice of God?
4. Jesus teaches a lot about heaven and hell. Many people deny the reality of hell, as something unbelievable, and unhelpful. What is your view?