# Small Group Discussion 1/2/2022

# "How To Be Blessed By God" – sermon by Dan Norwood

Psalm 1:1-3

## **Getting Started**

• What are some of the things you have been thinking about, regardless whether or not they are "resolutions," that you would like to see occur in the next 6 to 12 months ... in your personal life, in our church, and in our nation?

### **Static Questions**

- WHAT IS THE PASSAGE ABOUT?
  - Note the key details (Who, What, When, Where, Why, etc.)
  - Pay attention to the main Facts of the passage.
- WHAT DID YOU LEARN?
  - What does the passage reveal about God? About people?
  - Is there a promise or a command or a warning?
  - What is the main truth of the passage?
  - What lessons do you see?
- HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?
  - How does this passage relate to your life right now?
  - What change in your thinking or behavior is needed to align with the truths in this passage?
  - How should you respond based on what you learned?

### Discussion

- Which of the four characteristics of a tree in Psalm 1:1 stirred your interest the most? Why?
- Discuss the "doesn't walk ...," "doesn't stand ...," "doesn't sit ...," expressions in 1:1.
- While temptation itself is not a sin, it can develop into sin. Read and discuss what James 1:13-15 says about temptation and sin.
- Psalm 1:2 talks about how the person blessed by God is someone who "delights" in God's Word. Discuss the difference between reading the Bible simply as an assignment to read through the entire Bible and reading the Bible as though it were a personal love letter to you from God.
- How was Jon's testimony about meditation helpful to you?
- Has giving attention to Psalm 1:1-3 helped you shape or re-shape your desires for 2022?