

## PSALM 95: HEARING GOD'S VOICE



Would say you are a good listener? What would your spouse / good friends say?

Psalm 95 has a lot to say about listening. Read the Psalm aloud.

1 Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

3 For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.

5 The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

6 Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

7 for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Today, if you hear his voice,

8 do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the desert,

9 where your fathers tested and tried me, though they had seen what I did.

10 For forty years I was angry with that generation; I said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they have not known my ways."

11 So I declared on oath in my anger, "They shall never enter my rest."

**1-7a** From 1-7a highlight /underline what does the psalmist call us to do?

Now highlight/underline the reasons he gives for this.

Is this how we think of God? How might we apply the commands of these verses in Growth Group this year?

**7b-11** What's the warning of 7b-11 (see Exodus 17:1-7)?

How do we experience the same temptations?

**Going deeper** What are some ways that Jesus fulfils this Psalm?

Hebrews 3 and 4 picks up on this Psalm in a big way. Read Hebrews 3:7-13. If we take Psalm 95 and Hebrews seriously this year, what would that mean for the culture of our Growth Group?