

PSALM 98. Some notes and suggested discussion Questions.

It looks as if the people made a lot of noise when they worshipped the Lord with Psalm 98.

It's a call to the *people* to sing to the Lord (verses 1 – 3)

It's a call to all the *earth* to shout, sing and make music to the Lord (4 – 9)

Let's notice what **reasons** are given for praising the Lord; worship is not a feeling. It always has content.

Verses 1 – 2. '*for he has done..*'. He has won the victory (that is what 'salvation' NIV means)

1 – 3. Note his love and faithfulness. To 'remember' is to do something.

6. He is the King.

9. He is coming to judge in Righteousness.

Questions on WORSHIP for discussion.

- a. Why do you choose to worship the Lord?
- b. Have you ever wanted to shout in praise of the Lord?
If so, why?
If not, why not?
- c. What – for you – makes a great time of worship? [Try not to get into talking about your 'favourite' hymns / songs or your preferences]
- d. Verses 7 – 8 speak of the sea, rivers and mountains praising the Lord. Does the 'natural world' help you to worship? How?
- e. Verse 9 says, 'He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with fairness'. Why is judgement something to shout and sing about?