newlife SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

Digital Christians

Discussion Points October 18, 2020

How to Go to Church – Psalm 100

Read/Reflect

1. Read Psalm 100 out loud. Then read it again, paying attention to a word or phrase that most catches your attention. Write it down and remind yourself of it at the end of this discussion and even in the days ahead.

Explore

- 2. How do you think of going to church for worship; and how has it changed during the pandemic?
 - I'm always hurried
 - □ I come reverently
 - □ I just show up

- I'm thinking of 100 other thingsI feel a sense of excitement
- **O**ther:
- 3. How have you taken control of your worship with digital media? And how might you discipline yourself more to "wait on God" while in worship.
 - □ I just listen to the sermon
 - I just listen to the worship music
 - □ If I get bored I fast forward

4. How have you taken advantage of the opportunities to engage with virtual worship:

- I sent in pictures for the Strong & Sure series, or the "All In" series
- I sent in responses to the questions at the end of each message in the Wilderness series.

- I multi-task while the service is on
- □ I find myself critiquing in the service
- Other:
- I gathered with my small group to worship together,
- I involved myself with virtual worship, even though it felt weird to sing
- **O**ther:
- 5. How do each of the worship themes of Psalm 100 shape your attitude or use of digital technology:
 - **D** Entering worship prayerfully:
 - Acknowledging God's in control:
 - Actively engaging with worship:

Pray

- Pray a prayer of confession based on Amos 5:21-24, acknowledging that "going to church" can sometimes be the sum-total of our faith, and not a reflection of our hearts.
- Pray a prayer of rejoicing using the words and phrases of Psalm 100 as words of promise and commitment to God.

