

Cell notes for week beginning 12/06/11

Psalm 2

The Lord reigns!

These questions are given as a guide. Please do not feel you have to read them out as written – make them your own in leading us through together. The important thing about our Word time is that we get to applying the Word to our lives and not just do a Bible study, so make sure that questions and prayer and ministry in response helps in this.

Word

Read Psalm 2

The psalm writer speaks of how people, nations, leaders work against God.

How do we see this happening in our world today?

How do group members respond to the imagery the psalm writer portrays of God's reaction (v4-6) to human rebellion?

The psalm speaks much of the promised Messiah, Jesus – a number of the verses are quoted in the New Testament. What encourages us most from what is said about the Messiah? And what challenges us most?

Does this psalm cause us to think in a fresh way about the nature of our God or give us fresh understanding about him? Share any things which have been stirred.

'Kiss the Son' – a kiss to the hand on bowed knee was a sign of homage, respect, yielding to the authority of the person you bowed to in earlier societies. How can we do this today? What would be our equivalent? Do we have one? What can we do now to 'Kiss the Son'?

If you reach a conclusion on this, and group members are prepared to, why not put it into action as you come to worship Jesus and acknowledge him as Lord.

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Welcome

What has most caught your attention in the news this week? (Good news or bad news!)

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Worship

'The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice'

Start your time of worship by acknowledging the Sovereignty of our God. Hymns and songs with this theme abound. Perhaps use a couple to lift our minds to the greatness of our God. (Play and sing, or put on CD recordings and either sing along or listen, or perhaps search for some on YouTube) Acknowledge God's Lordship over your lives. You might like to make a physical act of doing so by bowing the knee before him. Proclaim his Lordship in prayer personally &/or corporately.

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Witness

Blessed are all those who take refuge in him.

Pray for friends, family members, work colleagues of group members, that they might take refuge in Christ.