## **Community Group Discussion Guide**

Sunday, December 12, 2021 Scripture: Psalm 98

## CHRIST

## THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

In *Joy to the World*, written by Isaac Watts, we celebrate Jesus as the King who has come, the King who reigns, the King who redeems, and the King who rules.

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION (Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)

- What gospel themes are present in this Christmas hymn? What do you think is the central theme? What's your favorite stanza or phrase in this hymn?
- How does this hymn describe the King of Kings? How is Christ's rule different from other earthly kings (Psalm 98:2,9)?
- What should his arrival evoke in the earth and hearts of people (Psalm 98:1)?
- Discuss the difference between happiness and joy (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; 1 Peter 1:6-9)?
  Where do you seek joy?
- How did Jesus deliver us from the curse of sin? Why is humanity's only Savior (John 1:14)?
- What are the glorious results of Jesus' salvific work (Genesis 3:15; Revelation 22:1-3)?
- How do we live in light of the reality of Christ's present reign (Hebrews 1:3; Luke 1:32-33)?

