

## Small Group Study Guide, Week of November 23, 2025

Psalm 107; "The Pilgrims' Psalm," Pastor Michael Andrus

**Ice Breaker:** Share a Thanksgiving memory from a time with family or friends.

### Dig:

1. Psalm 107 is a liturgical call to praise the Lord. Note the repetition of "give thanks to the Lord" (verses 1, 8, 15, 21, 31) and "...they cried out,,,and He delivered them..." (verses 6, 19, 28) as well as the closing instruction (verse 43) to "heed...and ponder." For group reading, assign parts to experience the call-response aspect of it. What themes do you hear? What is different about reading the psalm liturgically compared to your individual reading of it?
2. What four groups tell their story? (vv4-9; vv10-16; vv17-22; vv23-32) What are their similarities? What are their differences? How has God treated each? How is each called to respond to His treatment?
3. What clues do you find regarding the time and circumstances of when Psalm 107 was written? What significance does that add to the psalm's message?

### Apply:

4. With which of these four groups of people do you most identify? From what condition or state of trouble has God redeemed you? How do you need God's help in any of these ways now?
5. What does this psalm say about God's regard for needy people? Who in our church would you regard as needy? In your neighborhood? Among your friends? Among your family? How will you become more like God in your response to them?

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