

## **New International Version**

### **Psalm 24**

- <sup>1</sup> The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it,  
the world, and all who live in it;  
<sup>2</sup> for he founded it on the seas  
and established it on the waters.
- <sup>3</sup> Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord?  
Who may stand in his holy place?
- <sup>4</sup> The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,  
who does not trust in an idol  
or swear by a false god.
- <sup>5</sup> They will receive blessing from the Lord  
and vindication from God their Saviour.
- <sup>6</sup> Such is the generation of those who seek him,  
who seek your face, God of Jacob.<sup>[b][c]</sup>
- <sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, you gates;  
be lifted up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.
- <sup>8</sup> Who is this King of glory?  
The Lord strong and mighty,  
  
the  
Lord mighty in battle.
- <sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, you gates;  
lift them up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.
- <sup>10</sup> Who is he, this King of glory?  
The Lord Almighty—  
he is the King of glory.

### **We will use five tools on our expedition that are built around five questions**

What questions were provoked within you?  
Did anything confuse you?  
Did anything move you emotionally?  
Did God instruct you to do something?  
Did you gain any insight into God's character?

1. David develops this Psalm with declarations of foundational truths.
2. Why is it important for Christians to declare truths?
3. Does the earth belong to God or Satan?
4. When David refers to the earth, what does it include?
5. David breaks his perspective of the earth down and explains what it means – Everything in it – It all belongs to the Lord. Do you agree with David?
6. What is David referring to when he says ‘God founded the earth on the seas and established it on the waters’?
7. Where is the mountain of the Lord?
8. What is the mountain of the Lord?
9. Who may ascend this mountain?
10. David declares ‘Who may stand’? But can anyone stand in the presence of the Lord?
11. Do you think you could stand if you were in His presence, if you were in the holy place?
12. Where is the holy place and what is the holy place?
13. What do clean hands and a pure heart represent to you?
14. As there ever been anyone on the earth like this?
15. To trust is to give ‘the very who ‘ are to someone or something.
16. An idol is anything that you give ‘the who you are too’ - that special part of you.
17. To be blessed by the Lord carries with it an incredible amount of privilege which can’t be gained by merit, only by favour.
18. What does the presence of the Lord mean to you?
19. To ascend is to go up the mountain of the Lord like Moses.
20. Joshua was permitted only to go to the boundary.
21. How do you swear by a false God?
22. To be vindicated is to be considered right in God’s eyes.
23. What do you have to do to seek the face of the Lord?
24. What does it mean for the gates to be lifted up?
25. How can the King of Glory come into a sinful vessel?
26. David asked the question ‘who is the King of Glory’? And then he answers his question with the words ‘the Lord, strong and mighty’.
27. You can’t consider the Lord ‘right’ unless you ascribe to Him what He is by His attributes and His capability.
28. What are the ancient doors?
29. Why does David repeat the declaration of God’s capabilities?