

**Reading assignment for July 2 -8: Psalm 115-137**

**Theme:** Living in the shadow of God's blessings

**Memory:** Psalm 121:7 *"The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; He shall preserve your soul."*

**Consider/discuss:**

1. 115:14-15 *"May the Lord give you increase more and more, you and your children. (15) May you be blessed by the Lord, who made heaven & earth."* Rewrite these verses and begin using them as a prayer of blessing over your family.
2. Psalm 119 was written by a man who wanted to live by the value of God's word while living in a culture that did not share those values. How does this chapter reflect your own story?
3. Psalm 126 was written as an expression of joy for the Jewish people who returned to Jerusalem after a long season of despair. What do verses 5-6 mean to you and your life journey?
4. Psalm 127:1 states *"Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it; unless the Lord guards the city, the watchman stays awake in vain."* Incorporate this verse in your prayer for your church and your community.
5. In Psalm 135 the Psalmist admonished us to praise the Lord for He is great and His track record proves it. How has God shown Himself great on your behalf?