

**1. Learning lessons from salvation history**

- a) Romans 15:4 Why is so much history of God’s interaction with His people included in the Scriptures?
- b) Why is it important to recognize that God has been actively involved in human history since its very beginning?

**2. Salvation history recorded in the Psalms**

- a) Psalm 78 – a historical psalm of Asaph
  - i) Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16,
  - ii) Psalm 78:43-48 What new information do you learn about deliverance from Egypt not recorded in the Book of Exodus?
  - iii) Why does Asaph include the painful history of Israel’s rebellion in addition to the glorious history of God’s supernatural provision? Psalm 78:19, 40-41, 56-58
  - iv) What message comes through in the closing verses of this psalm? Psalm 78:70-72
  - v) What lessons can we learn from our own history, including our mistakes?
- b) Psalm 105 – a psalm of David (1 Chronicles 16:7-22)
  - i) What was the setting for the composition of this psalm of praise? 1 Chronicles 16:1,7
  - ii) Psalm 105:1-5 What message do you hear in the opening vers-

es of this psalm?

- iii) Psalm 105:13-15, 16-24, 25-36, 37-45a What new information do you learn from this historical psalm about the LORD’s provision for His people?
- iv) Why does David omit Israel’s acts of rebellion and unbelief?
- v) What is the significance of the closing words of this historical psalm? Psalm 105:45b (Praise the LORD (YHWH)
- vi) How much time do we spend praising the LORD for His mercy and grace?
- c) Psalm 135 – by an unnamed psalmist
  - i) Psalm 135:1-7 What events are highlighted in the opening section of this Hallelujah psalm?
  - ii) While most of us are not biological descendants of Jacob, are we also the LORD’s “special treasure”? Galatians 3:29, 2 Peter 2:9
  - iii) Psalm 135:8-12 Why is this history important?
  - iv) Psalm 135:13-21 What are your thoughts about the conclusion of this Hallelujah psalm?
  - v) While the author is not mentioned, and the occasion is not named, what important lessons can we learn from this historical psalm?

