

Part 2 – Psalm 148 The Chorus of Creation Student's Guide (Video 19 minutes)

Warm up questions pre-video: (20 minutes)

Read John 16:33

As Christians living in a sinful world are we guaranteed peace and harmony in the lives we lead?

What does it mean to "lament"?

Do we lament in our lives?

Read John 3:16–18 Read question 117 of Luther's Small Catechism

As Christians what does the phrase "We should live our lives gratefully" mean?

Read Matthew 22:36–39 Read questions 45–47 of Luther's Small Catechism

As Christians are we to praise our Lord just in church or should our praise be part of our daily lives?

Read Psalm 148

Post-video follow up questions: (15 minutes)

- Psalm 148 describes "all creation" praising the Lord. From verse 1 and verse 7 what areas of God's creation do these point to?
- Living in faith, trusting in the promises of God, when we read the Psalter (the Book of Psalms) where does our lamenting direct us?
- What does this faith mean in our lives?
- According to the discussion are our lives as Christians more like a comedy or a tragedy? And why?
- What is the difference between how God treats his creation and how those of the world treat others who live in God's creation?
- How does this psalm impact our lives? How does it impact our worship life?