## Small Group Questions Psalm 110

Some possible questions to choose from:

- 1. Tell us one thing that struck you from Phillip's sermon on Psalm 110?
- 2. See if you can remember/think of one reason why the Ascension of Jesus carries significance for us today.
- 3. What is the difference between Jesus sitting on a throne on earth (in the present time) and Jesus sitting at the right hand of God (in the present time)?
- 4. How would you describe the relationship between the authority of Jesus and the authority of the church to carry out the mission of Jesus?
  - Leaders' hint: need to get to the idea of a "delegated" authority, of the church operating in the power and authority that is not of itself, but gifted by God and derivative of Christ, an authority which no institution or power has the right to challenge.
- 5. Why are the offices of King and Priest assigned to separate persons (from separate tribes) in the OT, but occupied by our <u>one</u> Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ?
  - Leaders' hint: what does this tell us about the uniqueness of Jesus and the all-sufficiency of his person and ministry?
- 6. Why can we say that the great final judgement of God (through Christ) is a source of hope for the Christian church?
  - Leaders' hint: Judgment is God acting to put right all that is wrong, to put away evil structures and powers and to cleanse his world of all that is wrong.
- 7. How could the idea of a final judgment contribute (constructively) to our presentation of the Gospel?
- 8. What draws people, to come willingly, and devote their lives, to the service of Jesus?
- 9. Why is Otago able to resource a rugby team (or several), but unable to meet the needs of its churches for pastoral leaders?