

## The Song of the Eternally Secure

### Psalm 16

1. Psalm 16 begins with a cry to God for preservation and an affirmation of his commitment to God's Lordship.
  - a. What makes David confident he will receive preservation?
  
  - b. What two statements does David make to God in 16:2?
  
  - c. What do those 2 statements mean?
  
2. 16:3 teaches us something about what a godly person's attitude should be towards other believers.
  - a. What does David mean by "saints in the land?"
  
  - b. Why do you think David "delights" in them?
  
  - c. What does this verse teach us about what our own attitude should be towards other believers?
  
3. 16:4-6 describes David's attitude towards the lure of the world compared to that in which he has placed his hope.
  - a. What does David recognize in 16:4 about those who have rejected the true God? (see Ps 73:17-20)
  
  - b. What has David chosen instead?
  
  - c. How can 16:4-6 and Psalm 73 help change our attitude regarding the things we pursue in this life?
  
4. 16:8-11 is used in Peter's sermon in reference to the resurrection of Jesus Christ.
  - a. What argument does Peter use from this text to say that the Psalmist was talking about the resurrected Jesus?
  
  - b. What is it about Jesus' resurrection that compels us towards the same attitude and mindset displayed in Psalm 16?
  
  - c. How can we be sure that what became true of Jesus will someday be true of us?
  
5. Application
  - a. How would you encourage someone to strive to become the kind of person this Psalm describes?
  
  - b. What are some things that make faithfulness to God so difficult, and how can we, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, overcome those obstacles?
  
  - c. Will you begin to pray that God would give SNCCC such a clear vision of the resurrected Jesus Christ that we would be compelled to live our whole lives in light of it?