

RIVERSIDE ANGLICAN CHURCHES
QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION OR REFLECTION
Psalm 15 – The right to live with God

Read Psalm 15

1. What is this Psalm's overall answer for how you get to live with God?
2. What spheres of life do verses 2-5 describe? (what spheres of life are missing here?)
3. In verse 2, what does speaking truth have to do with the heart?
4. In verse 3 what is the difference between slander and reproach/insult? What does avoiding both protect for our neighbour?
5. Read verse 4. What would make a person vile? If we're supposed to love our neighbour and do no evil to them (verse 3), what would be the right way to despise them?
6. What ways do we (could we) honour God-fearers in our church, in our home life, and in our family conversations?
7. For a psalm that begins with a "religious" opening verse, why is the focus on everyday relationships? (why isn't "trust", or "prayer" mentioned?)
8. If Psalm 15 was the only bit of the Bible you had, what would you learn about God? What hope would you have of living with this God?
9. Read Psalms 14:1-3 and 103:10-13. Aren't they contradicting each other? How do they inform your understanding of Psalm 15?
10. We are saved by grace, not by our own blamelessness – so what does this psalm have to teach Christians about behaviour and relationships? (If you're stuck, head to Titus 2:11-14, 1 Peter 4:1-2, 1 Peter 2:20-25, Romans 8:12-15)

Spend time calling on God. Do you need to repent of something raised by this psalm? Do you need to commit to doing something mentioned in this psalm? Do you need to re-acknowledge God's generosity and grace in your own life?