Psalm 66 *Responding to God*

Alliance International Church, Pastor Stan Tyson, 4 October 2020

- A great psalm of praise
- Three responses and four disciple tools

1. Respond by <u>a</u>		God. (v. 1-7)	
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2. Respond by <u>a</u> the story of God in the Bible. (v. 8-12)

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3. Respond by <u>a</u> God's story in my life. (v. 13-20)

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- 4. Four Disciple Tools (DT)
 - a. ACTS prayer: Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving and Supplication
 - b. Overview of God's big story in the Bible: Creation, Fall, Redemption, Restoration
 - a. Prepare and practice telling God's story in my life.
 - c. Bible study using Observation, Investigation and Application

Join a Zoom discussion tonight at 8pm to discuss the four Disciple Tools. Send an email to <u>stan@aic.org.hk</u> (by 7pm 4/10/20 HK time) to receive the zoom invitation.

Questions for Thought and Discussion

- 1. Use the three responses in this Psalm to help in your personal or group worship of God.
- 2. Which of the four Disciple Tools do you feel most comfortable using on a regular basis?
- 3. Which Disciple Tool do you want to develop more in your life? Discuss this in your community group. You can contact stan@aic.org.hk with your inquiries.

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1. Respond by adoring God. (v. 1-7)

Observation	Investigation	Application
 Sing glory to his name God is awesome All earth bows down God's works invite all the earth to praise Him 	 Adoration is based on God's character (name), (v.2) Different from thanksgiving God's works can be observed by all (Rom 1:18-20) Seeing God's works invites us to worship Him (v.5) 	DT#1 Prayer using ACTS • Adoration • Confession • Thanksgiving • Supplication

2. Respond by acknowledging the story of God in the Bible. (v. 8-12)

Observation	Investigation	Application
 References to Israel's' history form a source of praise: preserved our lives, tested us, refined us, went through fire & water, etc. 	 The story of God throughout the Bible forms one continuous story. Knowing this story can build ones faith/praise of God. 	DT#2 God's big story in four words Creation Fall Redemption Restoration

3. Respond by announcing God's story in my life. (v. 13-20)

Observation	Investigation	Application
 Honouring what God has done in my life: offerings, vows, sacrifice Come and see Let me tell I cry out 	 I honour God by announcing what He has done in my life. I can join God in His story. "I" makes this personal 	DT#3 Prepare and practice telling God's story in my life. • Write it down • Full version • 2 minute version • How does my story intersect God's story?

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