Northwest Bible Church – June 2, 2024 – Psalms – Alan Conner

**Ps. 115**

The True God vs. Idols

Intro

**A. GOD IS PETITIONED TO GLORIFY HIS NAME (vv. 1-3)**

 1) Soli Deo Gloria (v. 1).

 a. Lovingkindness -

 b. Truth -

 2) The mockery of the nations (v. 2).

 3) God is sovereign (v. 3). Isa. 14:24, 27; 46:10; Job 42:2.

**B. IDOLS ARE CONTRASTED (vv. 4-8).**

 1) The character of idols (vv. 4-7).

 2) The character of idol worshippers (v. 8).

**C. THE PSALMIST’S EXHORTATION (vv. 9-18).**

 1. Trust in the Lord (vv. 9-11).

 2. The Lord will bless His people (vv. 12-15).

 3. Only the living praise the Lord on earth (vv. 16-17).

 4. We should praise the LORD now and forever (v. 18).

**D. APPLICATION**:

 1. Idols of the heart. Ezek. 14:7; 1 Jn. 2:15; 5:21; 1 Cor. 10:14; Eph. 5:5; Col. 3:5

 2. The effect of heart idols.

 3. The path of victory over idols.

 a) Seek to cultivate more love for Christ (v. 1).

 b) Seek His power to dethrone our idols (v. 3).

Conclusion