

prayer requests

Share prayer requests with the small group. Ask someone to take notes and share the requests with group members after the meeting.

# Sermon Study

## Psalm 116 He Has Heard My Voice

### vision

Eastview  
Christian  
Church is a  
fearless church  
of Christ  
followers whose  
ridiculous love  
and dangerous  
witness are  
irresistible.



*Eastview Christian Church small groups, or "E groups" for short, provide the optimal environment for the life change Jesus Christ intends for every person. Our groups typically have 8-14 people who **GATHER** together (Hebrews 10:24-25), **GROW** to be more Christ-like (Romans 12:1-2; 1 Peter 1:14-16), **GIVE** of themselves in various ways (1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 4:11-16), and **GO** on to impact the world around them (Matthew 28:19).*

**Gather** (your group getting to know each other)

1. "All mankind are liars." Agree? If so, what experiences have you had of this? If not, what percentage would you say are honest?

2. Imagine yourself a little child whom Jesus has invited to come to Him. With His arm around you, tell Him what would you want to tell Him first and what feelings you would first express?

study notes



**Go**  
(your group on mission)

Thinking about your own deliverance, who likewise needs to be delivered? As a group, lift these people (individuals and people groups) up in prayer. Discuss how you can present your story of deliverance through Jesus to these people.

**Grow** (your group growing as Christ-followers)

1. Read Psalm 116.
2. Why is the psalmist so devoted to God?
3. What trouble had come upon him?
4. What characteristics of God does the psalmist cite as key?
5. What has the Lord delivered the psalmist from?
6. How has He likewise delivered you?
7. Read 2 Corinthians 4:13. Paul identified with the psalmist's statement in Psalm 116:10. What were the psalmist's and Paul's common experiences?
8. What are the psalmist's responsive pledges in verse 12-18? What do the pledges mean?
9. How does the psalmist identify himself? Why?
10. Read verse 16 and Deuteronomy 15:12-17. What choices were given to slaves upon release? What choice does the psalmist make?
11. God invites us to talk to Him about our troubles. He does not ask us to ignore them, to minimize them or attempt to take care of them with our own effort. How does this compare or contrast with your experience with God?
12. When have you had difficulty calling on God? What made it difficult?
13. How can you imitate God's willingness to listen?
14. When has God rescued you from serious danger or distress?

**Give**  
(your group serving each other)

What think offerings could you give to God? Describe how you and your group can truly be God's servants.