

Psalm 87
Study Questions

1. Each one share where you were born and how you see the place of your birth has impacted your identity.
2. Jerusalem is a city that is contested by many ethnic groups and religious groups. But “Zion”, while used of the physical city of Jerusalem sometimes, often lifts our thoughts to the spiritual realm. Can you think of other verses in the Bible where “Zion” is referring to God’s dwelling among His people?
3. Where does the Bible clarify that Jesus is the cornerstone for God’s city?
 - a. What does the city God founded refer to specifically?
 - b. Is it a present reality or a future reality or both?
 - c. What is the significance of Jesus as the cornerstone of the place where God’s people are in His presence?
4. In verses 4-5, look at the examples of those who are counted as being born here.
 - a. What is the significance of these examples?
 - b. How would the original Jewish people have felt about this?
 - c. How might these examples be applied in our context today?
5. Verse 7 speaks of a great celebration.
 - a. What specifically would these people be celebrating?
 - b. Should Christians be celebrating now or is this just for the future?