

## Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Drawn from “The Blessing of Brotherhood,” A Sermon on Psalm 133

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1. The sermon text symbolizes the fellowship of God’s people with the imagery of siblings. Talk about life with **your** siblings in **your** growing up years. How often did you and your siblings “dwell together in unity?” Bonus points for memorable, amusing, and embarrassing stories.
2. In the sermon text, David likens brothers dwelling in unity to the oil which ordained Aaron. Talk about this imagery. Why did David choose this imagery? What are we meant to learn from it?
3. In the sermon text, David likens brothers dwelling in unity to the dew of Hermon falling on Zion. Talk about this imagery. Why did David choose this imagery? What are we meant to learn from it?
4. In several places, the New Testament describes Christians as having been “anointed.” (2 Cor 1:21, 1 John 2:27, 1 John 2:20) What does this mean, and how might it help us understand and apply Psalm 133?

5. As a group read Psalm 132 and Hebrews 12:18ff. What connections can you draw with Psalm 133? How can it help us understand the significance of Zion in Psalm 133?
  
6. As a group read Ephesians 4:1-16. What connections can you draw with Psalm 133? How might this passage help us apply Psalm 133?
  
7. The fellowship and unity envisioned in Psalm 133 are the opposite of loneliness. Where do you see loneliness in your own life or in the world around you?
  
8. Evaluate our church in terms of the vision of brotherhood held forth in Psalm 133. Where have we done well? Where do we need to improve?
  
9. In the sermon, Pastor Knox alluded to the difficulties of cultivating and maintaining community. What are the biggest obstacles you have personally experienced in this area? How can this group pray for and encourage you in this?