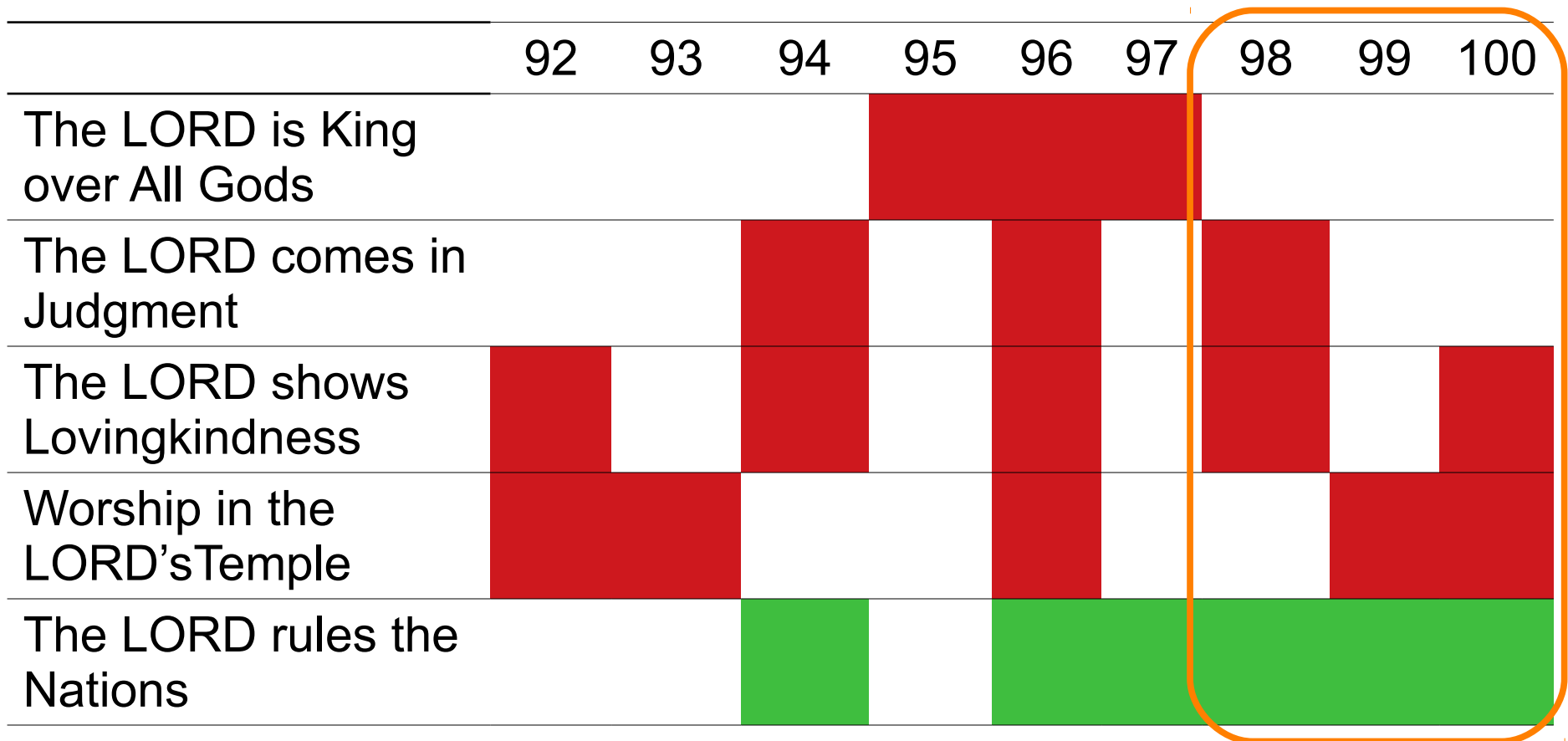


Treasure Hunt

- What activity of God is in focus in the first half of Psalm 98?
- What three things does this Psalm teach us about God's salvation?
- How does the role of the ocean in 98:7, 8 contrast with its activity earlier (e.g., Psalm 93)?
- What does it mean in 99:1 that God "sits between the cherubim"?
- What is the great contrast between the first and second halves of Psalm 99?
- How does the name "the LORD our God" reflect this contrast?
- How is this name related to "the LORD my God"?
- What apparent contradiction does v. 8 present, and what does it teach us about God?
- What do "thank" and "thanksgiving" mean in Psalm 100?
- How does Psalm 100 answer the complaints of Psalms 88 and 89 at the end of Book 3?

Psalms 90-106, Maturation
 90-91, God as Habitation
92-100, The LORD reigns now
 101-103, David will reign
 104-106, Hallelujah

Structure of Psalms 92-100



Structure of Psalm 98

Psalm 98, Praise for
the Coming Savior

1-3, Praise for the **Saving Lord**

1a, Call to Praise

2-3, Cause: Salvation (3x)

4-9, Praise for the **Coming Lord**

4-9a, Call to Praise

4-6, Call to People

7-9a, Call to Creation

9b, Cause: Advent

Structure of Psalm 99

Grammar	Subject	1-5, First Stanza	6-9, Second Stanza
Third person	Description of the Lord and his subjects	1-4a, Enthroned in the Holy of Holies over all peoples	6-7, Delivering Israel in the desert
Second person singular	Prayer to the Lord	4b, Praise for his righteous judgment	8, Recognition of his principled forgiveness
Second person plural	Exhortation to the people	5, Worship our Holy Lord	9, Worship our Holy Lord

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1Ch 28:2 Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: As for me, I had in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and for the **footstool** of our God, and had made ready for the building:

Helpful References for Psalm 99

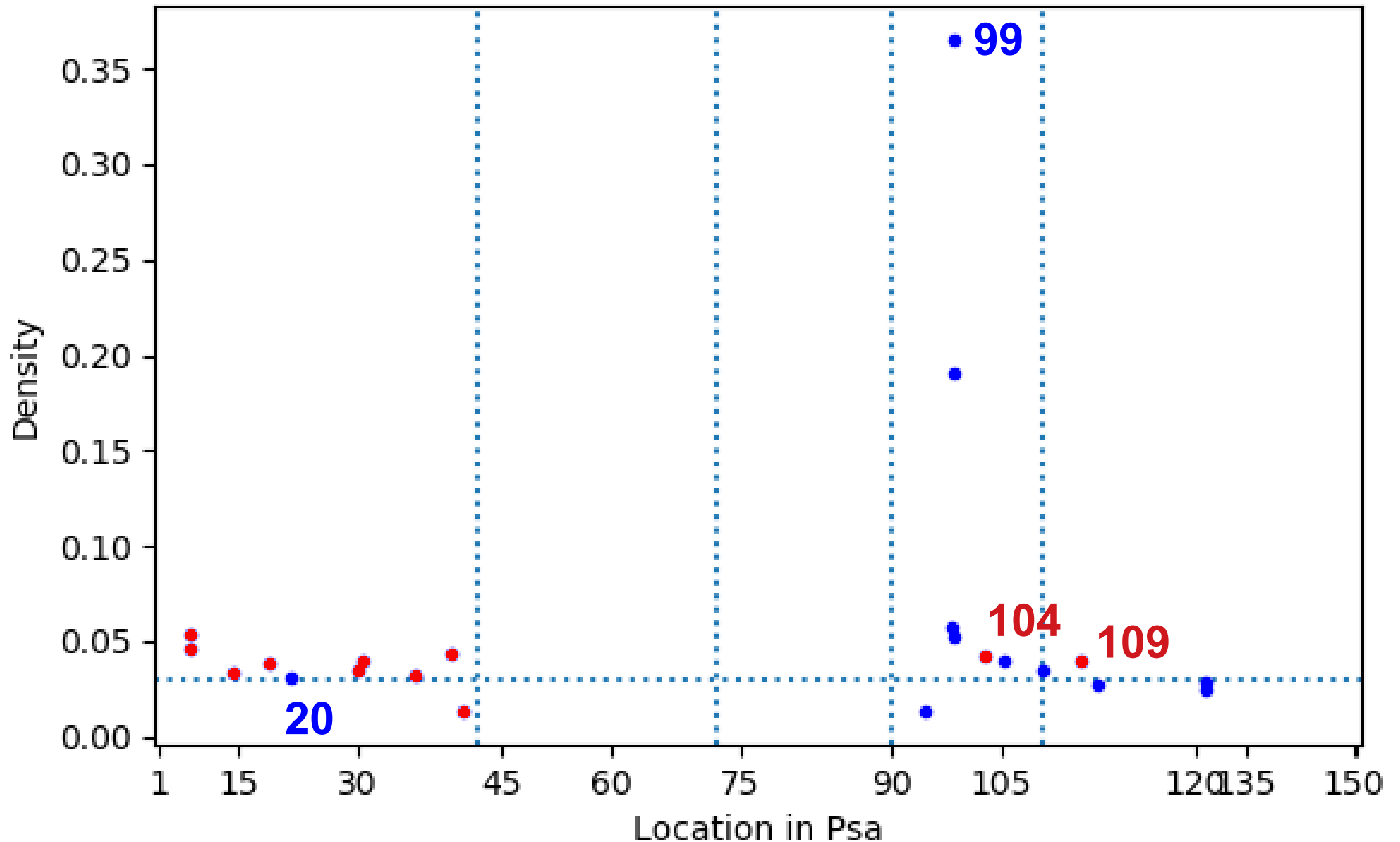
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v. 8 thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.

Exo 34:7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.

“LORD Our God” or “LORD My God”



Psalm 100, Praise for God's Works and Character

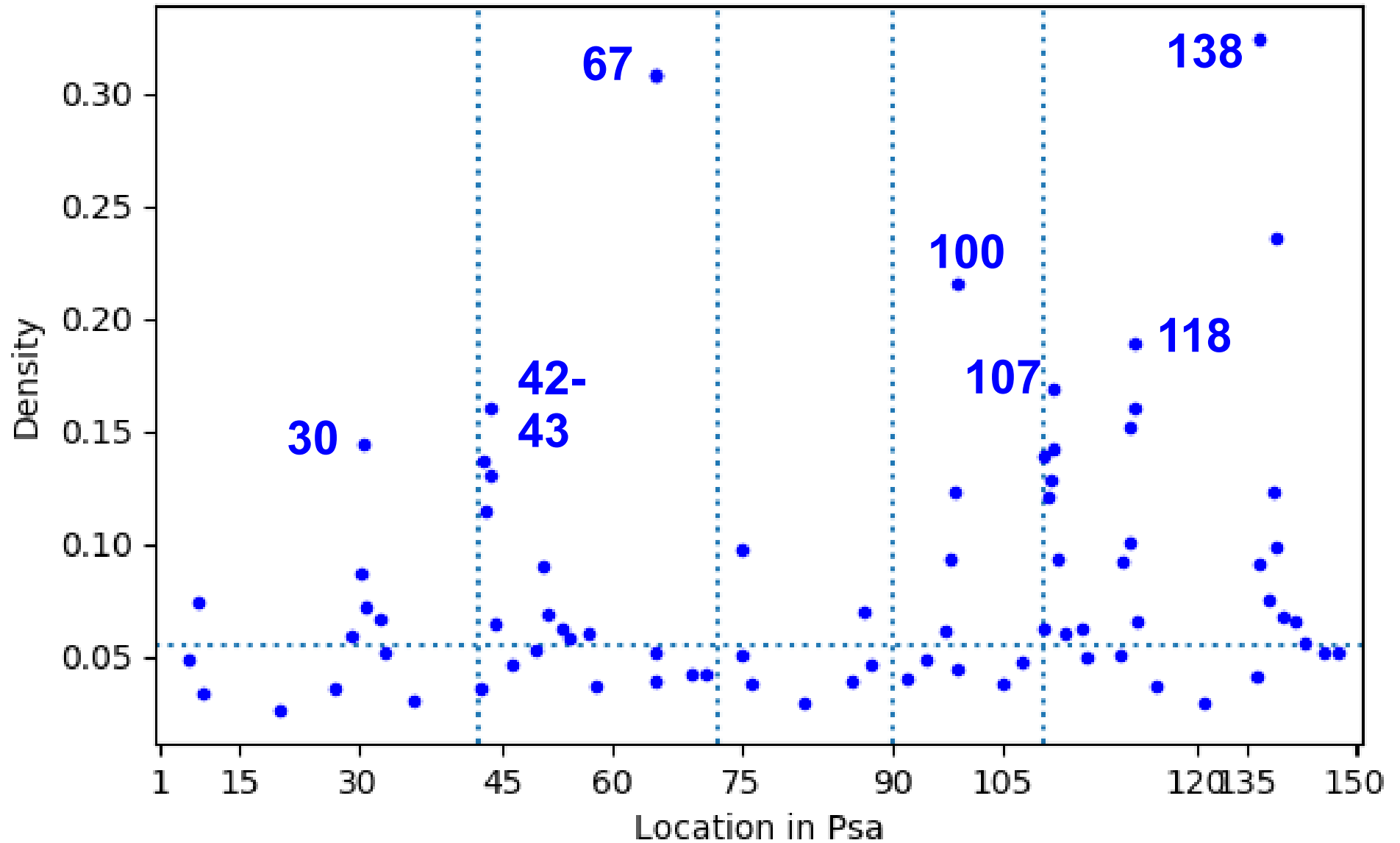
1-3, Joy at his Works
 1-2, Call to Rejoice
 3, Cause: Creation and Care

4-5, Praise for his Character
 4, Call to Thanksgiving
 5, Cause: Goodness, Mercy, and Truth

Structure of Psalm 100

1 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands	98:4 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth
2 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.	95:2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.
3 it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves	95:6 let us kneel before the LORD our maker.
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.	95:7 For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

“Thanksgiving” and “To thank”



Psa 32:5 I said, I will **confess** my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.