

Renewing Worship

"Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us." Then Jesus declared, "I who speak to you am he." John 4:19-26

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. Ps 95:6

Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his [a] holiness. Ps 29:1-2

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual [a] act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will. Rom 12:1-2

Class Objectives:

- Help us be understand the purpose and impact of worship
- Better prepare us to worship individually and collectively
- Help us to draw nearer to the Creator, our Redeemer

Class Design:

- Scripture Based
- Learner Preparation
 - Read assigned scriptures
 - Extract the major points from each scripture

- Search for other related scriptures and their key points
- Class Format
 - Discussion of weekly topic
 - Assignment for next week
- Learner Follow-up
 - Practice memory verses
 - Personal research on additional study topics (as needed)

When you consider a study of worship, consider carefully the call to worship (motivation), your individual and the collective participation (experience and expression) and the result (impact) of true worship.

Topic Outline

Week 1	Introduction Why worship? How should we worship? What is the outcome of worship
Week 2	Worship Motivation - God is Holy
Week 3	Worship Experience and Expression - Confessing/Praying
Week 4	Worship Impact - Change in Focus
Week 5	Worship Motivation - God is Love
Week 6	Worship Experience and Expression - Communing
Week 7	Worship Impact - Change in Relationship
Week 8	Worship Motivation - God is Powerful/Wise
Week 9	Worship Experience and Expression - Praising
Week 10	Worship Impact - Change in Energy
Week 11	Worship Motivation - God is our Deliverer
Week 12	Worship Experience and Expression - Teaching
Week 13	Worship Impact - Change in Mission

Motivation - God is Holy

Key Scriptures

1 Sam 2:2*

Ps 99:9

Isa 6:3-7

Rev 4:5

Exod 19:12-13

Heb 12:28*

Hos 11:9*

Isa 12:6

Ps 46:1,7a*

Deut 4:7

Heb 6:18 *

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Worship Experience and Expression

Key Scriptures

Acts 1:19*

Acts 8:22

Prov 28:13*

1 John 1:9*

Matt 3:2

Joel 2:12

Lev 16:21

Ezr 10:11

Lk 13:3

Lk 15:18

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Worship Impact - Change in Focus

Key Scriptures

Mic 6:8*

Rom 12

Isa 66:2*

Lk 9:48; 14:11*

Phil 2:5

Jms 4:6-10

1 Pet 5:5

Ps 18:27

Isa 23:9

Lk 22:26

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Motivation - God is Love

Key Scriptures

1 Jn 4:16*

Jn 13:1; 15:9-15

Rom 5:16; 8:35

2 Cor 5:14

Gal 2:20*

Rom 8:15

Jn 3:16*

Eph 5:2*

1 Cor 8:6

Heb 12:9

1 Pet 1:17

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Worship Experience and Expression - Communing

Key Scriptures

Mt 26:26; Mk 14:22; Lk 22:19

1 Cor 11

1 Cor 10:16

Acts 2:42*

Rom 6

Matt 26:17-30

Matt 26-28

Jn 17

Jn 18-20

1 Cor 12:13

Gal 3:21; Col 2:12

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Worship Impact - Change in Relationship

Key Scriptures

Matt 12:50; Lk 15-21

Rom 8:17

1 Pet 2:9-10*

Eph 2:19*

Heb 2:11;8:10

Dt 14:2

Gal 4:5-6

Ps 4:3

Rev 21:3

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Motivation - God is Powerful/Wise

Key Scriptures

1 Cor 1:24-25*

Dan 2:20*

Job 12:13

Ps 104:24; 3:19; 62:11-12; 93:4

Jer 10:7

Rom 11:33

Eph 3:20-21*

Plil 3:20-21*

Matt 4:39

Gen 1:1

Lk 8:25*

2 Ch 25:8

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Worship Experience and Expression - Praising

Key Scriptures

1 Pet 2:9*

Ps 9:11; 35:28

Rev 19:5*

Heb 13:15 ; Ps 51:15

1 Ch 29:11

Isa 6:3

Mt 15:31

Rev 4:11; 5:12: 7:10-12; 15:4; 19;1

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Worship Impact - Change in Energy

Key Scriptures

Ps 126:2; 16:11

Isa 12:3; 35:10; 61:10

Jer 15:16

Rom 5:11*

1 Pet 1:8

Heb 6:18-19*

1 Pet 1:3*

Ezr 6:22

Neh 12:47

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Motivation - God is Our Deliverer

Key Scriptures

Jer 1:8*

Ps 34; 56:13; 116:8

1 Cor 10:13

2 Cor 1:10

1 Sam 17:37

2 Sam 22:2

2 Tim 4:18*

2 Pet 2:9*

Jn 14:1-2

Rev 21:4*

Isa 46:4

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Worship Experience and Expression - Teaching

Key Scriptures

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Worship Impact - Change in Mission

Key Scriptures

CHRIST'S

Matt 20:28*

Lk 4:43; 19:10

Jn 3:17*; 9:39; 10:10*

1 Tim 1:15*

OUR'S

Matt 28:18f

Acts 5:20

2 Tim 4:2

Matt 24:14

Mk 16:15

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