

# We Worship: Week 2-What We Worship

## ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

1. What something new or interesting you've learned recently?
2. What's one country you would love to visit and why?

## WORD

We are learning a lot so far about worship. Last week we learned that when we worship we say yes to God`s intended design for our lives, we depend on him to meet our needs and His Kingdom becomes reality in our lives. In other words, when we worship Him, He saturates our situation and it is a tangible encounter of His Mighty presence.

This week we will continue to learn and let us be reminded that worship is very close to the Heart of God and yet the enemy will work so hard to hinder us from worshipping God because he hates to happen.

### ***John 4:22 (NIV)***

*“You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews”*

Samaritans were half Jew, half Gentile. Certain people in Israel intermarried with Assyrian and produced Samaritans . One of their descendants is Levi which means they are worshippers of God during their time. But why Jesus said to them “ *You worship what you do not know.*”

Worship is to honour or show reverence for a divine being or supernatural power. Also, to regard with great or extravagant respect, honour or devotion. Part of worship is to bow down, lifting up our hands and kneeling before God and this is show respect and submission to God. Abraham hurried and bowed low to the ground(*Genesis 18:2*).

Worship is to show a lot of love and adoration for God. Its an extreme form of love and its a type of unquestionable devotion to God.

**John 4:23 (NIV)**

*23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.*

**DISCUSSION**

What does it mean to worship God in Spirit and Truth? Why does it matter to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth?

**WORD**

As we worship our God, Let us have the ...

\* **Gesture to Worship**

*Matthew 2:2 (NIV) and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”*

\* **Heart to Worship**

**Matthew 15:8-9 (NIV)** *“These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. 9 They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules.”[a]*

\* **Place and Time to Worship**

**Acts 17:23 (NIV)** *23 For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.*

### **\*Spiritual Service of Worship**

Romans 12:1 (NASB) *Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, [a]acceptable to God, which is your [b]spiritual service of worship.*

### **\*The Ritual Acts of Worship**

Colossians 2:18a (LSB) *Let no one keep [a]defrauding you of your prize by delighting in [b]self-abasement and the worship of the angels,*

## **DISCUSSION**

As we put priority in worshipping God, which of the above points that you will focus this week to worship Him?

## **LIFE APPLICATION**

Let us worship God with adoration and a gesture of love and devotion. Let us offer a gesture of respect or submission to Him. Let us not be like the Israelites who worship other gods.

### ***Exodus 20:4-6 NIV***

*You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. 5 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, 6 but showing love to thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.*

## **DISCUSSION**

What are some worldly influences that choke our worship in our life? How should we deal with them?

## **VERSE TO MEDITATE ON**

**Matthew 4:10a (NIV)**

*'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'*<sup>[a]</sup>

## **PRAYER**

Share your prayer request and answered prayer. Pray for one another and throughout this week.



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