

TRUE WORSHIP

Deuteronomy 4:10-19; John 4:20-24

Strengthening your grip on what the Bible says about worship

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LET'S GET STARTED

Jesus told the woman at the well, "God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). That is the Bible's key statement about worship, but what does it mean? In this message, we will explore what Moses, and later Jesus, said about the nature of true worship.

LET'S HEAR THE WORD

Moses' instructions on worship (Deuteronomy 4:10-19)

Think back to when you first met with God at Sinai (v. 10)

Exodus 19:16-20—¹⁶ On the morning of the third day there was thunder and lightning, with a thick cloud over the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast. Everyone in the camp trembled. ¹⁷ Then Moses led the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. ¹⁸ Mount Sinai was covered with smoke, because the LORD descended on it in fire. The smoke billowed up from it like smoke from a furnace, the whole mountain trembled violently, ¹⁹ and the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder. Then Moses spoke and the voice of God answered him. ²⁰ The LORD descended to the top of Mount Sinai and called Moses to the top of the mountain. So Moses went up . . .

What did you see, and what did you not see? (vv. 11-15a)

What should that experience teach you about worship?
(vv. 15b-18)

Furthermore, the celestial bodies are gifts, not gods (v. 19)

Quotable

*If we fail to worship God,
we always find a substitute,
even if it ends up being
ourselves.*

—Rick Warren

*Worship . . . involves both
our attitude and our action.*

*Worship is the attitude of
reverence and adoration, as
well as the action of humble,
loving service to God, who
alone is worthy.*

—Martin R DeHaan II

If you would like to know more

How to Worship Jesus Christ: Experiencing His Manifest Presence, by Joseph Carroll (Moody, 2013)

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SO, HOW DOES GOD WANT US TO WORSHIP HIM? (John 4:20-24)

- Don't focus upon where you worship, but upon _____ and _____.

²⁰“Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.” ²¹Jesus declared, “Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.”

Three worship prompters

What _____ me about God?

What has God _____ for which I'm grateful?

How can I _____ to who God is and what He has done?

- Make sure your worship is driven by _____.

²²“You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews.”

- Understand that worship is not about right rituals, but a right _____.

²³“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. ²⁴God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.”

LET'S LIVE IT

We can put today's truth into practice by taking Moses' and Jesus' words to heart and resolving to put them into practice with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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