



ONTINUE THE CONVERSATION WITH YOUR SMALL GROUP, FAMILY, OR IN YOUR PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY TIME

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**Memory Verse: John 4:23 (NLT)** "But the time is coming—indeed it's here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way."

- What are some things in your life that you love and worship?
- What are some of your "preferred" environments of worship?
  - Be honest...Do you find it difficult to worship outside of those preferences?
- Why is it so easy to complain when we don't like the songs that are chosen, the volume of the music, the style of the music, the lighting environment, etc. ?
- What are areas you should admit and repent where you have been critical or consumeristic when it comes to worship?

"Pursuing our preferences and pursuing God's presence CANNOT exist in the same space." Think about this statement and ask God to reveal ways you can pursue His presence more.

Mark 12:28-31 (NLT): "One of the teachers of religious law was standing there listening to the debate. He realized that Jesus had answered well, so he asked, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: 'Listen, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' No other commandment is greater than these."

- In which of these areas do you more naturally worship God; with your heart (emotions), your soul (inner being), your mind (thoughts/intellectually), or your strength (physically)?
  - In which of these areas do you need to step outside of your comfort zone and learn to worship Him more?

## Application:

Commit this week (and the next few Sundays) to find NEW ways to worship God that are outside of your comfort zone. Identify one or two new expressions of worship to seek God in.

Ways We Can Express Worship To God In Scripture:

- In Public (Psalm 35:18, Psalm 22:22)
- Celebratory (Psalm 145:7, 1 Corinthians 5:8, Psalm 118:24)
- Kneeling (Romans 14:11, Psalm 95:6)
- Playing Musical Instruments (Psalm 150, 2 Chronicles 5:13, Psalm 144:9, Nehemiah 12:27) Singing (Ephesians 5:19, Colossians 3:16, Acts 16:25, Psalm 40:3)
- **Shouting** (*Psalm* 95:2, *Psalm* 100:1)
- Lifting Hands (Psalm 63:4, Psalm 134:2, 1 Kings 8:22, Psalm 143:6, Job 11:13)
- Giving Thanks (Psalm 63:3-4, Ephesians 5:20, Colossians 3:15-17, Psalm 9:1)
- **Joyful Noise** (Psalm 95:1, Psalm 98:4, Psalm 100:1)
- Prayer (1 Timothy 2:8, Philippians 4:6)
- Service To Others (Matthew 25:34-40, Micah 6:8)
- Dancing (Psalm 149:3, Eccesiastes 3:4, Psalm 30:11, 2 Samuel 6:14)