



REAL Growth: Worship in Truth - Week 1.

The Foundations of Worship

These notes are to be used in conjunction with the sermon series during the service or with the recording. They are intended to assist also with further individual or group study

Readings

Romans 12: 1-8; Hebrews 7: 23 – 8: 2; John 4: 19-24

The Truth of Worship

What do you think is a good definition of worship and what does the Lord Jesus mean when He says that God seeks those who worship in truth (John 4: 24)? What happens to us as we worship God (Romans 12: 1-2 and think back over the Brother King series as God seeks to conform us to be like Jesus)?

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What is 'false worship' and why are we prone to it?

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The Foundations of Worship; the Lord Jesus (Hebs. 7: 25), the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 3: 16, 6: 19 & John 4: 24) and Truth (Hebs 7: 25 & 27; John 14: 6) are foundations of worship; can you explain why? Also describe how God is the object of our worship

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A Life of Worship; what do you understand the phrase, Sacred/Secular Divide, to mean?

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From Romans 12: 1-2 describe how God’s mercy, our self-sacrifice and a new way of thinking leads to a life of worship

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A Church of Worship; if we are to live a life of worship and our bodies become the Holy Spirit’s temple how does Roms. 12: 5 connect this to the Body of Christ?

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How are we equipped for worship (Roms. 12: 6-8) as the Church and what impact should Grace have upon our lives in a way that blesses the Church (Roms. 12: 3)?

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Future Study

2 Chronicles 30 describes a call to worship for the people of Israel. What connections do you see in this passage with what we have studied today? What part does the motivation of our hearts and our act of submission play in worship? Is the worship in this passage perfect; how does that encourage us today?