

Psalm 100

Why we worship God

- He is the Creator and great power that all can observe – *Genesis 1-2; Hebrews 11:3; Psalm* 19:1-4
- The provisions He gives Matthew 6:25-32; Psalm 147:7-9
- The gift of His Son John 3:16; Revelation 5:9-14

- Worship is commanded and exemplified
 - Matthew 4:9-10 "you shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve"
 - Matthew 14:33 "those in the boat came and worshipped Him"
 - Acts 24:14 "according to the Way... so I worship the God of my fathers"
 - Matthew 15:9 "In vain they worship me"

- What is worship?
 - Sebomai (g4576) to revere and feel awe
 - Proskyneo (g4352) to kiss, to express in attitude or gesture one's complete dependence on or submission to a high authority figure
 - Latreuo (g3000) to minister, to serve, do service

- What is worship?
 - Worship is an action the worshipper does
 - Worship is to God; we are not here to be entertained
 - God is the audience; we are not the audience

- Worship is to be proper by His authority
 - John 4:19-24 There is a proper and an improper way to worship
 - True worshippers will worship in "spirit and truth"
 - If there are true worshippers, then of necessity there are false worshippers (there is a worship that is false)

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 - John 4:19-24 There is a proper and an improper way to worship
 - Spirit Right attitude, heart, and mind
 - Matthew 6:5 The action of prayer in and of itself was not wrong but the attitude behind it was
 - *Matthew 22:37* Love God with all your heart
 - *Luke 8:4-15* The right heart is required to receive the word

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 - Worship is not done to get praise from man – God is our audience
 - Worship is not to be ritualistic or a checkbox list of items that we simply complete tasks

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 - John 4:19-24 There is a proper and an improper way to worship
 - Truth Right actions
 - Genesis 4:3-5 Abel's sacrifices was accepted, and Cain's was not
 - Hebrews 11:4 By faith Able offered a more excellent sacrifice than Cain
 - Romans 10:17 Faith comes by hearing the word of God

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 - Conclusion We can offer worship that is not pleasing to God
 - When you have the right heart paired with the right actions God is worshiped in "spirit and truth"

- How do we ensure our worship is proper?
 - 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Scripture completes man and equips him for every good work
 - Isaiah 55:8-9 God's ways are higher than man's ways
 - Jeremiah 10:23 The way of man is not in himself

- How do we ensure our worship is proper?
 - **Colossians 3:17** Whatever we do, we are to do all in the name of the Lord (by His authority)
 - God's word tells us what is proper in worship

