

Psalm 100

- We worship God because of what He has done for us, not because we have to
- Worship is an action the worshipper does
- There is a proper way and an improper way to worship God
 - It must be done in "spirit and truth" (John 4:23-24)
 - God's word tells us what is proper in worship

- Not all of life is worship
 - Some have the concept that all that I do is worship
 - All life is service but not all service is worship

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 - With this concept many will make whatever we do worship
 - I am worshipping God when I clean the dishes, mow the lawn, play baseball, go hunting, work on the car, etc.
 - If all life is worship, then however I wish to worship is authorized
 - There is no pattern in worship but that is not true (John 4:23-24)

- Not all of life is worship
 - Worship is a time set aside to focus on and worship God
 - Genesis 22:5 Abraham and Isaac went over there to worship
 - This action of worship is something that must be done is "spirit and truth" (John 4:23-24)
 - Matthew 7:21-23 Many think they are doing what is right but, are wrong

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Singing
 - *Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16* We are authorized to sing
 - We have the authority to sing, and it is limited to that, singing
 - Acts 16:25 Paul and Silas' singing in prison impacted others

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Singing
 - When we sing, we are teaching
 - When we sing, we are praising God
 - What is your attitude when you sing hymns and praises to God?
 - What about when we are at services and sing as a congregation?

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Praying
 - Matthew 6:9-13 Jesus shows us how to pray and commands us to do so
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:17 We are to "pray without ceasing"
 - 1 Timothy 2:1 We are to "pray... for all men"
 - James 5:13-18 The power of prayer

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Praying
 - Where is your mind when you pray?
 - Where is your mind when we pray as a congregation?
 - Do you realize who we are approaching?

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Preaching/Teaching
 - Acts 20:7 Paul preached when they assembled
 - *Ephesians 4:11-15* When the word of God is taught edification occurs

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Preaching/Teaching
 - When a sermon is preached, or a class is taught it is to be from God's word
 - Mark 16:15-16 Go and teach the gospel
 - Romans 1:16 The gospel is the power of God to salvation
 - 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Scripture is what completes and equips man

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Preaching/Teaching
 - Where are your thoughts when one is preaching or teaching the message?

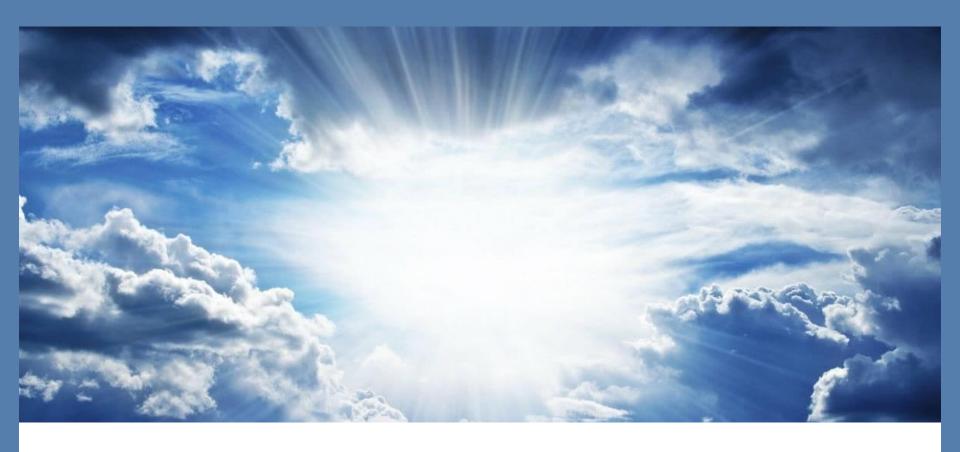
- The authorized acts of worship
 - Giving
 - 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 Collection is taken on the first day of the week
 - Any other day is not proper
 - 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 Each is to do so as they purpose in their heart

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Giving
 - Where is your heart when you give?
 - Do you do give "cheerfully", or do you give of necessity?

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Partaking of the Lord's Supper
 - Matthew 26:26-29 Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper
 - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 We are to do this until Jesus returns
 - Unleavened bread Christ body
 - Fruit of the vine Christ blood that was shed

- The authorized acts of worship
 - Partaking of the Lord's Supper
 - Acts 20:7 Pattern is first day of the week
 - Any other elements or time is not proper
 - Where is your mind during the partaking of the Lord's supper? What is your attitude?
 - 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 We are to discern the Lord's body

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- With the right attitude we worship God through singing, praying, preaching/teaching, giving, and partaking of the Lord's Supper



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