



Real Worship

Psalm 100

#13 in a series on the Psalms

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Real Worship Is...

I. A Joyful Declaration.

1. It declares God's praise. (vs.1)
2. It is immersed in joy. (vs. 1 & 2)
3. It serves God. (vs. 2; Lev. 8-10; Ps. 33:1, 147:1; Acts 17:24-26)

II. Real.

1. The worshiper is obedient. (vs. 1, 2 & 4; 1 John 2:1-6)
2. The worshiper is true. (vs. 3 & 4; Hosea 6:4-6)
3. Real worship is a spiritual act. (2 & 4; John 4:19-24, 15:5)

III. Theocentric.

1. It focuses on God. (vs. 1; Ex. 20:3)
2. Its foundation is the knowledge of God. (vs. 3 & 5; John 4:24; Acts 17:22 & 23)
3. The worshiper is possessed of God. (vs. 3; John 10:14 & 15)

In My Life This Week

(As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.)

Monday. Read Psalm 47, 100, & 146. Try writing your own hymn of praise to God. Think of the those particular attributes or actions of God that are most meaningful to you. Most hymns of praise in the Psalms begin with a call to worship, then give the reason why God ought to be praised, and then conclude with a further call to praise. Try structuring your hymn in this way.

Tuesday. Read John 4:1-26. Jesus, who is the truth and has sent us His Spirit, says that true worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth. How does the presence of Jesus and the knowledge of Him change the way you worship? Are there times that you come to worship without seeking His presence? What is the result of such worship?

Wednesday. Read James 3:1-12 & Matthew 12:33-25. The tongue spills out evil and its source is our heart. All too often, we try to cure the problem with tongue taming, but we must rather seek the One who tames not only the sea but our heart and tongue as well. As we find ourselves renewed in Jesus Christ, we will find freedom from sin's power, and that we can really worship God.

Thursday. Knowing God is foundational to truly worshiping Him. Is there a part of the Bible you have never read or seriously studied? Take time now to list these portions of Scripture. Consider taking time this summer to study one of them so that you can more closely know God and thereby worship Him the better.

Friday–Saturday. On Sunday Pastor Lyle plans to look at Psalm 46 with us. Read and think through this Psalm as you prepare for our time of worship together.

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