

## Worship Fundamentals

### Introduction:

Worship involves actions of our individual daily lives and the actions of the assembled congregation. Many denominations, as well as some Christians, have the wrong idea of worship.

John 4:23:24

Worship is to be done in **spirit and truth**. Two essential elements for acceptable worship given by Jesus.

Worship involves: True worship, not false; God, soul and external acts of worship; and God's will, not man's devices. Jer. 10:23.

### Discussion:

#### I. Preparation

- A. Preparation using the right standard. 1 Sam. 16:7
- B. Involves attitude of the heart. 1John 2:15.
- C. Focus is God, not self.

#### II. Worship must be done willingly.

- A. Must come from a willing mind—2 Corinthians 8:12.
  - 1. Principle applies not only to our giving, but to our service for the Lord.
  - 2. Attitude shows up in attendance—Heb. 10:25.

#### III. Worship must be done in an orderly manner. 1 Cor. 14:40.

- A. Worship services should be done in a systematic manner to prevent confusion. 1 Cor. 14:33; 14:23.

#### IV. Worship must be done in reverence. Heb. 12:28.

- A. To have a profound regard for God.
- B. Psa. 89:7; Psa. 29:2; Psa. 107:32.
- C. The name of the lord is to be revered. Matt. 6:9.

#### V. Worship must be sincere. Philippians 1:10.

- A. Must have agreement of heart and tongue.
- B. Christ denounced insincerity.
- C. Life will reflect sincerity or lack of it. 1 John 3:18.

#### VI. We must be humble.

- A. To be a part of the Christian's life.  
Humility taught by Christ. Matt. 23:12; Matt. 18:4.

#### VII. Our worship will be based on individual not group conduct.

#### VIII. John 4:23-24 revisited.

### Conclusion:

Sacredness and reverence in worship is often lacking. The way in which we approach the subject and actions of worship will have a great effect on our soul's destiny in the day of judgment.