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GOD DESERVES OUR WORSHIP

In this lesson you will learn the kind of worship that God deserves, the divine protocol for worship, and how your whole life can be about worship.

- I. What kind of worship does God deserve?
 - A. Everyone worships something, someone, or some idea or concept.
 - B. Worship is not about our feelings, circumstances, or other people's opinions.
 - C. The worship God deserves is giving honor, adoration, reverence, respect, and loving Him with your whole heart.
 - D. True worship is demonstrating the love of God.

- II. Divine protocol for worship – Psalm 95.
 - A. Verses 1-2 – “Oh come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.”
 - B. Verses 3-6 – He deserves our worship because He was the creator of all creation. Worship Him because He not only made us but also saved us.
 - C. Verses 7-11 – If you withdraw and refuse to worship and honor God, it will not be good, and soon something else will take the place of worshipping God.
 - D. Several forms of worship are mentioned in these verses – sing, shout, shout joyfully, come into His presence with thanksgiving, bow down, and kneel.

- III. Why and how to give God the worship He deserves – Psalm 96.
 - A. Verse 4 – “For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised.”
 - B. Verse 11 – “Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and all its fullness; let all the trees of the woods rejoice before the Lord.” God created the heavens and earth and we should give Him the glory due His name.
 - C. We are to bring an offering and come into His courts – this means bring your time, talent and finances. Ask yourself how you can use your time, talents (gifts), and finances as an act of worship.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Share how you became a worshipper.
- Who are you worshipping? What are you worshipping? Is it possible to raise your level of worship to bring pleasure to God?
- Worship should be about every area of your life so ask yourself if you are honoring God in what you do throughout your daily life.

BE A DOER OF THE WORD

This week make a decision to let worship be more than a church service experience and let worship become part of your daily lifestyle. Don't be a person who sings hymns but not to Him.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 95:1 – “Oh come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.”