

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Adoration (ACTS of Prayer #1))

Week of Nov 4, 2018

While this Discussion Guide is intended for use in a Riverwood Growth Group, it can be used personally as well. To get the most from these questions, we suggest you take 10-15 minutes to read, think, and pray through this Guide before participating in your Growth Group. The point of this guide is to not just "get through the questions" (there's no quiz at the end!) but to pursue Jesus and grow spiritually.

ICEBREAKER (Optional)

Who was your favorite "famous" person (movie star, athlete, president, author, singer, etc.) while growing up as a child, and why were they your favorite?

DISCUSSION

Read Matthew 15:8

1. Jesus is quoting a portion of Isaiah 29:13 in this verse. By quoting it, what does Jesus seem to be indicating is important to God when it comes to prayer?

2. In what ways would an "awe" of God affect the way a person prays?

Read Revelation 4:4-11 (Feel free to split up among two readers)

3. a. The word *adore* means "to love, respect, and honor, to worship or venerate." How do you see the beings of heaven adore God?



- b. What descriptions of God do the beings of heaven say as they adore God?

Read Revelation 5:1-10

4. a. What evidence is in these verses that the "Lion/Lamb" being is Jesus?

- b. The other beings of heaven also adore Jesus, just as they did God (further evidence that Jesus IS God for only God can be worshipped). How do they display their adoration?

MAKING IT PERSONAL

5. What things in this life do you tend to adore more than God?

6. What do you sense the Holy Spirit asking you to do to adore God this week?

MEMORY VERSE

"Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!" (Psalm 34:3)

PRAYER

Close in prayer for one another to experience the love of God and respond with adoration.

