

This is Us Part 1 – Love God – January 14, 2018

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MAIN POINT:

**Worship That Honors the
Father is
Worship that Follows the
Father's Commands**

ICEBREAKER: What is your most valuable possession? How do you ascribe value to that thing?

EXPLORATION:

1. Read Matthew 22: 37-40 and Matthew 28:19-20. Discuss River Point's vision statement Love God, Love People and Serve the World. Discuss how this vision comes from these two very important passages of Scripture. (*Context Clues- these two passages are called the Great Commandment and the Great Commission. River Point is built on two very pertinent passages of Scripture that record the words of Christ. If we say we are Christ followers we should follow His words!*)
2. Read I Corinthians 10: 31. According to this passage, do you agree that worship is a lifestyle? Why or why not? How does this or how should this play out in your life?
3. Read Psalm 147:1 and Psalm 150:1-6. How do these passages teach that it is good to praise the Lord? How do you personally praise the Lord?
4. Read John 4:23. This passage says that the Father is looking for worshippers. What kind of worshippers is He looking for? What does that mean? Are you that kind of worshipper?
5. Read Ephesians 5:19. How does this passage say that we should worship together?
6. Read Revelation 5:9 and Psalm 29:1-2. Simply put "worship is declaring God's worth". How do these Scriptures emphasize that truth?

APPLICATION:

1. It has been said that "Worship is not a place to escape my problems; worship is a place to praise God through my problems." Describe a time when this was true in your life?

2. Travis Agnew says in his book *Five Worship Team Killers* that “Our public worship should never exceed our private devotion”. Do you agree or disagree? Why? Is that a truth that is true of your life?

3. Answer the following questions as honestly as you can.

What kind of worshipper am I?

1. *Do I long for it?*

2. *Is there a combination of spirit and truth in my personal worship?*

3. *Is my public worship a culmination and celebration of my private worship?*

4. *Do I worship freely in public and in private?*

5. *Is my worship God centered?*

6. *Can I imagine the Father smiling on my worship?*

4. Have a time of prayer. In this prayer time, challenge members to pray that they would grow as worshippers.