

## Part 2

### Worship

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**ICEBREAKER:** When people in everyday life just hear the word “worship”, what do you think they picture? What do you picture?

#### **MAIN POINT:**

**River Point Worship exists to create an atmosphere of worship that becomes a launching pad for life change.**

#### **EXPLORATION:**

**1. Read Romans 12:1-2. According to this passage, what is worship?**

*(Context Clues - “Romans” is a very theological letter because the Romans were very smart people who had some crazy ideas about deity. Imagine what “worship” might mean to someone coming from a system of Greek gods for example. The idea of our lives as worship was quite a different idea for the Romans)*

2. In Romans 12:1, the Apostle Paul prefaces with “in view of God’s mercies”. Why is that important to consider in the verse before the next part of the verse? In other words, why would Paul take the time to state that part?
  
3. Read Exodus 15:19. Where do you see Paul’s idea of “in view of God’s mercies” play out in this verse?
  
4. Read Acts 16:22-26. Think about and discuss that passage in light of the following statement: “True worship is acknowledging that how you feel doesn’t dictate his worth.”  
*(Context Clues - Paul and Silas are in prison. Their motivation and purpose of worship was not in hopes to be set free. )*

**APPLICATION:**

1. Have you ever worshipped when you didn’t feel like it, but you did? Tell about it. What does that tell you about worship?
  
2. Which of these 3 need an adjustment in your life as it relates to worship in order to produce fruit and life change? What can you do this week to progress in that area?
  - a. Structure of Worship
  - b. Manner of Worship
  - c. Motivation of Worship
  
3. Pray that River Point Worship would be fruitful in its mission to create an atmosphere of worship that becomes a launching pad for life change. Pray that we would get worship right because as it did in Acts 16:22-26, it can change us and our community.