

“How To Worship God”

Psalm 24:3-6

This Psalm of David poses and answers a very profound question that is as relevant today as it was when David first wrote it. “Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord?” Of course, “the hill of the Lord” is a reference to the temple or the place of worship in Jerusalem where God’s people were instructed to practice their worship. The phrase, “who may ascend...?” is a reference to the characteristics or qualification of those who wish to worship.

So who is it...that is, what must characterize the person who would really desire to come to a church building and worship God? In our current church culture, it seems that more people than less show up with many different things on their minds (and lips) than the genuine worship of God. This has developed into a routine that includes faithful attendance, maybe singing (or not), maybe praying (or not), maybe giving (or not) maybe coming late and leaving early for personal convenience.

The following is a skeletal outline of Psalm 24:3-6 that gives us some keen insight into what we bring to worship and what we can expect from worship.

- I. What to BRING TO WORSHIP (v. 4)
 - A. A right relationship to MAN (v. 4a)
 - B. A right relationship to GOD (v. 4b)
 - C. A right relationship to YOURSELF (v. 4c)
 - 1. Integrity
 - 2. Transparent
- II. What to EXPECT FROM WORSHIP (v. 5)
 - A. BLESSING from the Lord (v. 5a)
 - B. RIGHTEOUSNESS from the Lord (v. 5b)
 - C. SALVATION from the Lord (v. 5c)

May we become worthy worshippers of a most worthy Lord.