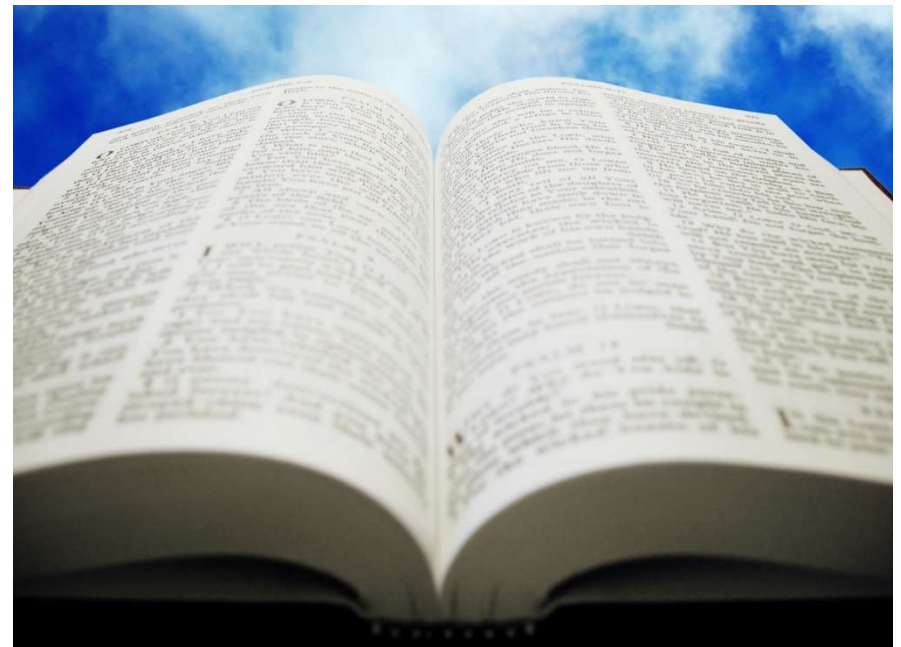


How do some worship God?

- Disorderly, hands in the air, rolling around on floor?
- Based on “spiritual experiences”?
- Based on feelings as opposed to teaching?
- Live as we want, but still worship God?



How should I worship God?

- What does worship mean?

- *Sebomai* – to adore, revere, having awe and devotion (Acts 18:13)

- *Eusebeo* – respect, be pious (Acts 17:23)

- *Latreuo* – render religious service (Phil. 3:3)

- *Proskuneo* – lit. “to kiss towards” (John 4:23)

“broadly [worship] may be regarded as the direct acknowledgement to God, of His nature, attributes, ways and claims, whether by the outgoing of the heart in praise and thanksgiving or by deed done in such acknowledgment.” – Vine’s

How do I worship God?

God seeks true worshippers...How do I worship in spirit and in truth?

- As a spirit connecting with God
 - God is a spirit – Jn. 4:24
 - I want to be a true worshipper
 - I want to be a worshipper that God seeks
 - Must be a spirit of order – I Cor. 14:26-33, 40
 - Society's "spiritual" vs. God's
 - Not about me, my feelings, or exp.

How do I worship God?

- **As a spirit connecting with God**
 - **Must be a spirit filled w/ knowledge**
 - **Jn. 4:22 – Salvation was of the Jews**
 - **Psalm 19:1, Rev. 4:10-11 – God created all things**
 - **Acts 17:25-28 – He gives us life**
 - **More knowledge = more reasons to worship God (based in knowledge)**
 - **When I make it about feelings and experiences, I make worship about me**

How do I worship God?

- **Through avenues authorized by God's standard of truth – His Word**
 - **Eph. 6:18 – Praying in the spirit**
 - **Acts 2:42 – Lord's supper, fellowship, teaching**
 - **I Cor. 16:1-2 – Giving**
 - **Not worship? II Cor. 9:11-15 – Thanksgiving to God**
 - **Eph. 5:19-20 – Singing w/ the spirit**

How do I worship God?

- **By living life according to truth**
 - **Matt. 15:1-9 – Precepts of man vs. doctrine of God**
 - **From the heart, live the truth**
 - **Amos 5:21-24, 14-15 – People not listening but still worshipping**
 - **Worship w/lips vain, God hates...**
 - **Matt. 5:23-24 – Would you give the gift anyway?**
 - **Get relationships/mind/soul right first**

How do some worship God?

- **Disorderly, hands in the air, excitement?**
- **Based on “spiritual experiences”?**
- **Based on feeling as opposed to teaching?**
- **Live as we want, but still worship God?**
- **Worship with an orderly spirit**
- **Based on God and what He wants**
- **Based on God’s authorized means**
- **God doesn’t want you “as you are”...**

Just as Jesus'
death was a must
– John 3:16

Just as being born
again is a must –
John 3:3, 7

Worshipping in spirit
and in truth is a must!
John 4:24