

# Understanding Worship

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Food for Thought and Outline

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**Lessons from Exodus**

True worship begins in the **heart**.

**Exodus 25:1-2**

True worship is being **near** God.

**Exodus 25:8-9, 17-22**

God is **serious** about worship.

God **desires** to be with us.

**Matthew 27:50-51**

**Applying Exodus to My Life**

**Romans 12:1-2**

Worship is **centered** on God, not us.

**Amos 5:21-24**

Worship is total **surrender**.

**Philippians 1:21**

Worship is **beneficial**.

**Ephesians 2:19-21**

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1. What was an interesting detail that stood out to you about the tabernacle design from Sunday's message?

2. How would you describe worship in your own words?

3. Read over Exodus 25 one more time. What do you think the elements of the tabernacle's design were meant to teach us about God's desire for our worship?

4. The Israelites learned about the proper mode and heart for worship from these specific directions God gave them. Who/what from your past has most influenced your view or understanding of how we should worship God?

5. Jeff said on Sunday that Worship is centered on God, not us. What are some ways that we tend to make our worship about us rather than God?

6. Read Revelation 4. What does this portrait of John's vision of worship in Heaven teach us about how we should worship God now? What can we take away from it?

7. When you think of Jesus and his patterns of being alone with the Father in prayer, David in his famous prayer in Psalm 23 asking for wisdom in the secret heart, and Jesus' countless encouragements to worship privately as well. What role do you think PRIVATE worship plays in our understanding of PROPER worship?

### **Memory Verse**

Revelation 4:11 - "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

### **Prayer Requests**

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