

Lesson #9 Our Awesome God (How do we worship God?)

Opening Shot:

We serve a mighty God. He alone is holy. He alone is worthy of all honor, glory, and praise. He is praised eternally in Heaven. David, who loved God very much, praised him with poems, prayers, and songs. We are to worship him together and privately. People worship in all kinds of situations. Jesus said that we will worship the Father in spirit and in truth.

Introduction to Biblical Truths:

Matthew 4:10 *Jesus said to him, "Away from me Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.'"*

In **Matthew 15:7-9** Jesus says to the Pharisees: *You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you: "These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are but rules taught by men."*

John 4:21-24 *Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, but time is coming when you worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet the time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."*

Ask Me No Questions/I'll Tell You No Lies:

- 1.) How do we worship God?
- 2.) How can I worship God all by myself?
- 3.) What do I have to know about God to worship Him?

We've Got Questions/ God's Got Answers:

- 1.) Jesus says that we are to worship the Father in spirit and in truth. (See **John 4:21-24**.) When we say things about God and to God that are true about Him, we are worshipping Him. (See Psalms 145:1-21)
- 2.) Read all of **Psalms 145:1-21** together and discuss the different verses and the ways they suggest of praising and worshipping God. Then memorize **Psalms 150:6** *Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.*
- 3.) We can worship God anytime and anywhere. People have worshipped Him even while they were in prison. Acts 16:25 *About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them.*

Parting Shot:

We are to worship God only. People worship him in many places and in many different circumstances. Where we worship and under what circumstances are not as important as how we worship. We are to worship God (and he is spirit) in spirit and in truth. Our hearts are what matter to God, not our location, or the size of our choir, or the color of the pew cushions in our church.

