



**January 12, 2025**  
***Worship in spirit and in truth***  
**John 4:16-26**

1. What part of the text/message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged? Intrigued? Challenged?
2. Read through the Six Foundational Questions of Life – and discuss how a person’s answers to these questions will tell you where their thirst will be found as well:
  - **Truth** - What is True? Who/what can I trust?
  - **Identity** - Who am I?
  - **Meaning** - Why am I here?
  - **Purpose** - How can I be happy and fulfilled?
  - **Morality**- What is right and wrong? When things go wrong, how can it be fixed?
  - **Future**- Is there any hope? What happens after death?
3. Have you encountered “theological dodge” questions in conversations when seeking to share the gospel? How did you respond?
4. What comfort/encouragement can we take in the fact that the Father is seeking out people to worship Him in spirit and in truth?
5. In what ways do we sometimes focus on external locations or rituals rather than true worship?
6. How are you convicted to grow in the way you worship “in spirit and in truth” based on this passage? What are some practical ways to cultivate a life of worship?

7. Read this quote from Adrian Rogers and discuss the dangers of doing religion without true spiritual worship:

*If you are not worshipping God, but you are serving Him (or so you think), you are making a big mistake.*

To **pray** without worship is mockery.

To **sing** without worship is sounding brass.

To **work** without worship is an insult to God.

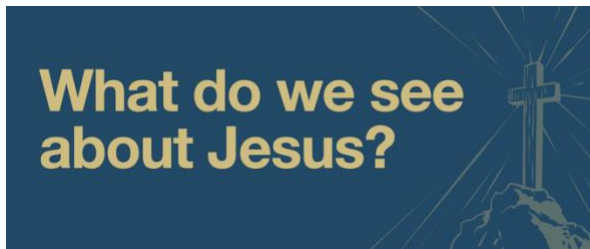
To **teach** without worship is ignorance.

To **serve** without worship is hypocrisy.

To **witness** without worship is perjury.

*The Father seeks to commune with you in worship. He is not looking for your money, your glory, or your strength. He is looking for your heart.*

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**Jesus defines what true worship is – worshipping the Father in spirit and truth.**

**Respond to the sermon:**

- **Head:** What did you learn / what were you reminded about who Jesus is?
- **Heart:** What specific steps can you take to grow deeper in your relationship with Christ?
- **Hands:** What ways can you live differently because of these truths?