

Simple Summer, Pt. 1

Devoting Myself to God: Worship In Spirit & Truth, Jn. 4:22-24

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1) Jesus says true worship hinges on two _____

You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a 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." John 4:22-24 (NIV)

- **Woman wanted to get complicated to _____**

"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices--mint, dill and cummin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law--justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former. You blind guides! You strain out a gnat but swallow a camel. Matthew 23:23-24 (NIV)

- **God only accepts worship that is in _____**

2) To worship in Spirit...

- **I must worship Jesus in & through the _____**

For it is we who are the circumcision, we who worship by the Spirit of God, who glory in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh-- Philippians 3:3 (NIV)

For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs-- heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. Romans 8:15-17 (NIV)

- **My worship has to spring from _____**

The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is made up only of rules taught by men. Isaiah 29:13 (NIV)

- **I must see that Spirit and truth always _____**

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. John 16:13 (NIV)

3) To worship in truth...

- **I must _____ being hung up on external, trivial issues.**

Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. John 4:21 (NIV)

- **I must _____ who & what God is.**

*You Samaritans worship **what you do not know**; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. John 4:22 (NIV)*

Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? John 14:9 (NIV)

- **I must love and obey Jesus as _____**

"All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." Luke 10:22 (NIV)

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6 (NIV)

4) How can I apply all this to my life?

- **I must make regular worship an _____ in my life.**

*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not **give up** meeting together, **as some are in the habit of doing**, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)*

Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:46-47 (NIV)