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The House of Worship
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Genesis 28:10 - 22

Worship connects us with God.
John 1:51

Worship facilitates revelation.
Ex 25:22 Is 2:3

Worship calls us to commitment.
2 Sam 24:24

STUDY OF WORSHIP

Worship does not begin & end with the singing portion of our weekly church service. It is also a matter of the heart.

Share some ways you experience worship throughout your entire week.

Does this come naturally for you or do you find you need to be more intentional with your worship?

Share how you have found worship to be beneficial to you & others around you?

Read Exodus 25:8 - 22

Why do you think God is so elaborate in His instructions? What do you think God is trying to teach us about worship?

Think about worship today. What have we gained, or what do you think we have lost in our cultural displays of worship?

Read Isaiah 29:13 and Matthew 15:8.

Why do you think this hypocritical worship is so distasteful to God? How can we avoid dishonoring God with this type of worship?

Read John 4:22-24

Jesus indicates that God is looking for a certain type of people to worship Him. What do you think Jesus is talking about here?

What does this mean to you? How can we worship in spirit and truth?

Consider John 14: 15,21 ; Galatians 5:22-25; 1 John 2:3-5

How do these verses support or connect with worship in Spirit and truth? How do you think obedience and worship are connected, or are they at all?

Read Romans 12:1-2.

Pastor Rick talked about Jacob being committed in worship. What do you think it means for us as believers to be committed in worship? How does that idea play out in tangible ways?

Why is there such a disconnect with our profession of faith and our commitments to worship?

Giving a tithe was one of the ways that Jacob showed that he was committed to worshipping the Lord. Do you see the tithe as an act of worship? Why or why not?

Compare Matthew 6:21, & 2 Cor. 9:7 2 Samuel 24:18-24.

How do these scriptures connect resources and worship?

Why do you think God indicates that heart follows treasure? Do you agree or disagree? Why?

The word for WORSHIP is translated roughly one-half of the time (in both Greek & Hebrew) in the Bible as submission and the other one-half of the time it is translated as service. Worship is defined by Webster "as an intense devotion to or esteem of someone or something." Interestingly, worship is both a noun & a verb.

In this Year of Honor how can we put our worship of the Lord into action?

What are things you can do to make worship a priority?

What are things you can do to worship in spirit and truth?

What can you do to make worship more of a lifestyle this week?