

WORSHIP BEYOND THE WALLS

What a privilege it is to **know** God and to **worship** Him.

We need to remember that worship isn't confined to Sunday – we worship God every day as we serve Him, love Him and live a surrendered life unto Him.

1. WORSHIP IS A MATTER OF THE HEART

ROMANS 12:1-2.

Dr Stan DeKoven – “*Consecration means surrendering who we are to God. That includes keeping a correct emphasis. The focus after the holiness historically taught has been on external behaviours and dress, **rather than on issues of the heart**. As we fall in love with God, a deep motivation comes from the Holy Spirit to become pleasing to God. Holiness (or worship) becomes a deeply sought after necessity for daily life. **This desire** is not developed by doing things for God, but **by fervent prayer**. Gradually external behaviours/our worship begin to change because of a heart filled with holy fear, reverence and a deep respect for the mighty God we serve.”*

Worship comes from a heart that is captivated by God.

The amazing thing about being part of God's family, is that it's all about him. It's all because of him. It's not what we can or can't do. It's all about what Christ has done.

It starts with God, it continues with God and it's all about God.

We worship God as we surrender to him, out of a deep love and in awe of who he is, born out of a daily desire to seek him and know him more.

Isaiah 29:13.

Is our worship heartfelt or routine?

If busyness or a full mind is stopping us from praying or seeking God, we need to identify that and make some adjustments.

As we seek him and desire him, may God transform us.

2. LIVING A LIFE OF WORSHIP

COLOSSIANS 3:16-17.

In his commentary regarding this scripture, Matthew Henry says, *“Many have the word but it dwells in them poorly. It has no power over them. Our soul prospers when we are full of the Scriptures and of the grace of Christ.”*

Is the Word of God making a difference in my life every day of the week?

The application of the Word of God in my life each day, is an expression of worship to God.

CONCLUSION

Worship belongs to God. **Matthew 4:10.**

True worship refuses to let anything else be elevated to the place that only God deserves – not power, success, earthly pursuits, material possessions or money.

Colossians 1:9-10.

Colossians 1:20-22.