

True Worship

What true worship is not.

Watching a church service on the internet, tv, or in church without entering into the Lord's presence.

Singing Gospel songs while not really seeking the Lord with your whole heart

Praying without trying to connect with Lord. (One sided prayers)

Sometimes Kids Display Uncommon Wisdom

Patrick, age 10, said, "Never trust a dog to watch your food." Focus on God's Ways Not His Works

Michael, 14, said, "When your dad is mad and asks you, "Do I look stupid?" don't answer him." You cannot worship God your way.

Michael said, "Never tell your mom her diet's not working." Put your trust in Jesus Christ to enter into Worship.

Simple Fact:

The Path to follow into worship is through Knowing God's Ways

Works From God will Follow

Introduction

True Worship

False Worship

Nobody can be forced to worship anything (Your choice)

Made Up Mind

Worship with a Focus on God's Ways

Text: [Dan 3:10-18 KJV] **10 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image: 11 And whoso falleth not down and worshipping, [that] he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. 12 There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up. 13 Then Nebuchadnezzar in [his] rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Then they brought these men before the king.**

True Worship

Worship - to honor or show reverence for as a divine being or supernatural power.

[Jhn 4:24 KJV] 24 God [is] a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship [him] in spirit and in truth.

Focusing on His ways, not his works

[Mar 16:17 KJV] 17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

False Worship

People and Things

Pastors and Evangelists

Movie and Sports Stars

Secular Music

Money, Fame, and Worldly Power

Many Worship False Gods

Here are four common gods.

God of Government

God of Recreation and Entertainment

God of Science

God of Finances

False Teachings Within the Church

[Rom 16:17-18 KJV] 17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. 18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

Vain Worship

[Mat 15:8-9 KJV] 8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with [their] lips; but their heart is far from me. 9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching [for] doctrines the commandments of men.

Nobody can be forced to worship anything including God Almighty

14 Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, [Is it] true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up? 15 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; [well]: **but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who [is] that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?**

[Mat 4:9 KJV] 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

Made Up Minds

16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we [are] not careful to answer thee in this matter. 17 If it be [so], our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver [us] out of thine hand, O king. 18

But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

It Pays to Worship the Living Almighty God

[Dan 3:20-29 KJV] **20** And he commanded the most mighty men that [were] in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, [and] to cast [them] into the burning fiery furnace. **21** Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their [other] garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. **22** Therefore because the king's commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the flame of the fire slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. **23** And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. **24** Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, [and] spake, and said unto his counsellors, **Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.** **25** He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. **26** Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, [and] spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come [hither]. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, came forth of the midst of the fire. **27** And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them. **28** [Then] Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed [be] the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God. **29** Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no other God that can deliver after this sort.

There is only one True God of the Universe. Worship at His Place Not Ours

[Jhn 4:16-24 KJV] **16** Jesus saith unto her, Go, call thy husband, and come hither. **17** The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said unto her, Thou hast well said, I have no husband: **18** For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly. **19** The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet. **20** Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. **21** Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. **22** Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. **23** **But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.** **24** **God [is] a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship [him] in spirit and in truth.**

[2Ki 17:36 KJV] **36** But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and a stretched out arm, him shall ye fear, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do sacrifice.

Our God is a Jealous God.

[Exo 34:14 KJV] **14** For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name [is] Jealous, [is] a jealous God:

[Deu 8:19 KJV] 19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish.

[Mat 4:9-11 KJV] 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. 10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. 11 Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.

Focus on God's Ways and Worship Him

[Phi 3:3 KJV] 3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

[Psa 118:8-9 KJV] 8 [It is] better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. 9 [It is] better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.

[Pro 3:26 KJV] 26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

Worship with Confidence in the Lord, Not in yourself.

[Eph 3:9-12 KJV] 9 And to make all [men] see what [is] the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: 10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly [places] might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, 11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: 12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

[Eph 3:9-12 NLT] 9 I was chosen to explain to everyone this mysterious plan that God, the Creator of all things, had kept secret from the beginning. 10 God's purpose in all this was to use the church to display his wisdom in its rich variety to all the unseen rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. 11 This was his eternal plan, which he carried out through Christ Jesus our Lord. 12 Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come boldly and confidently into God's presence.