

STORYLINES : Worship



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TO KNOW WHY WE WORSHIP
TO KNOW SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS WE CAN WORSHIP
TO KNOW THAT WORSHIPPING GOD ISN'T JUST SINGING



TO KNOW THAT LIVING ALL OUT FOR GOD IS TRUE WORSHIP

Intro Questions



- 🔴 **Welcome everyone, introduce the topic and ask an icebreaker!**
- 🔴 What is your favourite thing to do? Watch football? Play on your playstation? Being on your phone?
- 🔴 Why do you like it so much?
- 🔴 What are all the ways in which we can worship God?
- 🔴 Do you think it's wrong to put hobbies and other interests above God? Why or why not?
- 🔴 Why do you think we sing to God? What is the point of it?

Summary



Read summary on page 15 in your book or on the other side of the sheet.

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Exodus 15:1-2

- 🔴 What has happened before this point?
- 🔴 Why do the Israelites sing to the Lord?
- 🔴 Can you think of a time where something has happened in your life and you've spontaneously worshiped God? Through prayer, through gratitude or through song?



Read 'What do we worship' on the other side of the page or page 15 in your booklet.

- 🔴 Can you see how we all fall into loving some of these things listed?
- 🔴 Can you be honest with some of the things on the list that you struggle with?

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Zephaniah 3:17

- 🔴 What strikes you about this verse? What is your favourite part?
- 🔴 Did you know that when you're praising God he's also praising over you?
- 🔴 Have you ever experienced God's love whilst singing to him or reading your Bible?



Romans 12:1

- 🔴 Do you think worshipping God is just singing?
- 🔴 What do you think it means to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice?
- 🔴 How can you choose to put God first in everything you do? What are some practical ways?



Can you post anything on Facebook about what you've learnt today?



Can you post a picture on insta representing what you've done today?



Can you post anything on Snapchat about what you've learnt today?

Summary

God created the human race for a purpose: to live in relationship with Him. The relationship was intended to be defined by mutual love, and worship can be defined as the expression and outworking of our love for God. For our love to have depth, our worship must be more than just singing songs - specific acts of devotion are important but so too is a lifestyle of worship.

What Do We Worship

We can trace this storyline from Genesis. The heart of Adam and Eve's sin was choosing to turn from worship of God the creator to Worship of the creation. The biblical word for choosing to worship creation is idolatry, and this is the most common theme in the entire Old Testament. The greatest issue is not whether we worship; it's what we worship. When we stop worshipping God, we don't worship nothing; we worship anything. We can read the pages of the Old Testament And feel smugly superior as we see the people worshipping things they've made – bits of wood inside of the Creator of the universe. The fact is, we haven't 'advanced' As far as we sometimes think. Some of us have swapped the worship of gods called 'Baal' For the worship of God is called 'celebrities'. Instead of sacrificing to gain the favour of pieces of wood, we are now willing to pay the designer price that will earn is the approval of those around us. Given that worship can be defined as the expression and outworking of our love for God, it is fair to say that as the human race, we spend Most of our time expressing and out working our love for (worshipping) money, fame, power, celebrity, one another, ourselves... to name but a few.