

Sermon Title: "Worship Is Our Passionate Life Priority"

Scripture: Selected Verses

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INTRODUCTION

Psalm 45:1a - "My heart overflows with a pleasing theme..."

Psalm 29:1-11 -

I. WORSHIP: OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY AND DEEPEST JOY

A. The Depth of God's Glory: (The fact is...) God exists and IS glorious!

Psalm 24:7-10; John 1:14 -

Hebrews 1:3 - "He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature..."

2 Corinthians 4:6 - "...has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

Colossians 2:3 - "... Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."

Colossians 1:17 - "And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent."

B. The Demand of God's Glory: God demands and deserves to be praised and honored.

Psalm 29:1-2; Psalm 150:6; Isaiah 42:8; John 2:16-17 -

C. The Danger of God's Glory: God hates idolatry.

Note: It is right and good that God is passionate for His glory, AND it is for your good that God is passionate for His glory.

James 1:16-18; Psalm 16:2, 11; 1 John 5:20-21 -

D. The Delight of God's Glory: It is our joy & privilege to glorify God in many ways!

John 17:3; Romans 8:38-39 -

YOU CAN WORSHIP GOD...

1) ...in your work and/or schooling: You don't work/school for man but for God.

Colossians 1:23-24 -

2) ...in your marriage: You can be a <u>picture</u> of Christ and the Church.

Ephesians 5:22-26 -

3) ...as you care for your children, your family: You can help them to know God.

Ephesians 4:29 -

4) ...in your singleness: Courageously focus your time and energy to honor Christ.

1 Corinthians 7:35 -

5) ...in the midst of temptation: You honor God as you resist, run, and rejoice.

1 Corinthians 10:13; 2 Timothy 2:22 -

6) ...in your ongoing, daily repentance: Every single day we need God's grace.

1 Corinthians 15:10 -

7) ...in your rest, "down time", and vacations: Worship God by enjoying His good gifts.

1 Timothy 6:17 -

8) ...in your trials, hardships, and unexpected difficulties: Pray that you don't <u>waste</u> them.

James 1:2-5; 2 Corinthians 1:8-10 -

Take Home Questions for Further Study & Reflection & Application...

- 1. In what ways does God reveal His glory?
- 2. Why is it good and right that God demands we worship Him?
- 3. Why does God hate idolatry?
- 4. What does Psalm 145:1-9 teach us about our worship? How should we worship?
- 5. When do you find it "easy" to worship God? When do you find it "difficult" to worship God?