

# REDEEMED TO BE WORSHIPERS OF GOD

## INTRODUCTION SESSION 1



**According to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Philippians 1:20-21**

1. The 'Supreme Purpose' for our existence is to worship God and find our supreme pleasure in \_\_\_\_\_!
2. "Let us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let \_\_\_\_\_ have dominion. ..." – Genesis 1:26
3. The greatest tragedy of man's fall in the garden was the \_\_\_\_\_ of this primary purpose.
4. When God converts a sinner into a saint, He gives them a new heart that has a passion to live for God's \_\_\_\_\_!
5. God's great mission, in this fallen world, is to transform rebel sinners into worshiping \_\_\_\_\_!
6. God's passion for His own glory is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all true and spiritual worship.

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. – 1 Peter 2:9

For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the Spirit... – Philippians 3:3

7. True and acceptable worship is a desire and a determination to live the totality of our lives for the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord!

Therefore, whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God. – I Corinthians 10:31

Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. – I Corinthians 6:19-20

And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. – Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men. – Colossians 3:23

I beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. – Romans 12:1

8. Authentic worship should be our response to all of the spiritual blessings that we possess, because of our intimate \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus Christ!

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ. – Ephesians 1:3

- **He selected us** – v. 4
- **He determined to adopt us** – v. 5
- **He made us objects of His favor** – v. 6b
- **He delivered us from:**
  - the power of sin** – v. 7
  - the penalty of sin** – v. 7
- **He has given us an eternal inheritance** – v. 11a
- **He has given us the gift of the Holy Spirit** – verse 13

9. **Prayer** is a preoccupation with our needs; **Praise** is a preoccupation with our blessings; **Worship** is a preoccupation with \_\_\_\_\_!

10. "For Me to live is \_\_\_\_\_.... ." – Philippians 1:21

Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. – II Corinthians 5:9

11. “To die is \_\_\_\_\_.” – Philippians 1:21

As for me, I will see Your face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness. – Psalm 17:15

12. God is most glorified in us, when we are most satisfied in \_\_\_\_\_!

13. What are you living for? Is what you are living for worth Christ \_\_\_\_\_ for?

14. So now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by \_\_\_\_\_. – Philippians 1:20b

15. God’s passion for His own glory has been supremely manifested in the person of God the \_\_\_\_\_.

Who being the brightness of God’s glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power.... – Hebrews 1:3

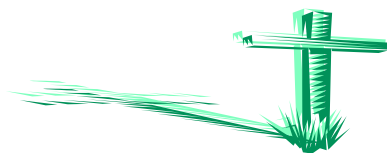
16. The glory of God was perfectly put on display on the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ!

For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. – II Corinthians 5:21

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. – Romans 5:8

Being justified freely by His grace.... – Romans 3:24a

But God who is rich in mercy .... – Ephesians 2:4



17. We should respond in absolute astonishment and awe of true and spiritual worship of the Lord and the Lamb, by giving:

- a. Our hearts to the Lord in adoration;
- b. Our minds to the Lord in contemplation;
- c. Our bodies to the Lord in dedication and;
- d. Our service to the Lord in \_\_\_\_\_.

But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ....  
Galatians 6:14a

18. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my \_\_\_\_\_!



# WHAT IS TRUE AND ACCEPTABLE WORSHIP!

## Session 2



**“Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” – John 4:20-24**

1. This supreme priority of true and spiritual worship is a moral \_\_\_\_\_.
2. When a person is “Born Again”, his deep need to worship finds its fulfillment in the only valid \_\_\_\_\_ of worship!

Because He is your Lord, worship Him. – Psalm 45:11b

3. Worship is the believer’s response of a ‘loving submission’ of all that he is, says and does; to all that the Lord God is, says and \_\_\_\_\_!

...“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!” – Revelation 5:12

4. Your response to God’s command to worship the Lord and the Lamb will affect your eternal \_\_\_\_\_.

Serve (worship) the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way.... – Psalm 2:11-12a

## I. THE SEEKER OF TRUE WORSHIPERS

**But He, [Jesus], needed to go through Samaria. – John 4:4**

- A. No one seeks to be a worshiper of the Lord, unless God seeks them \_\_\_\_\_.

There is none who seeks after God. – Romans 3:11b

“No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him....” – John 6:44a

“....No one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father.” – John 6:65b

- B. If sinners are left to themselves, they will worship a thousand other things or people; but they will never worship the God of the Bible, on His \_\_\_\_\_!

They have all turned aside; .... – Romans 3:12a

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, everyone, to his own way; .... – Isaiah 53:6a

“I was sought by those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me” .... – Isaiah 65:1a

- C. If you can show me a person who is seeking to worship God on His conditions, I will show you a person whom the Father has previously summoned to \_\_\_\_\_.

For the Father is seeking such to worship Him. – John 4:23b

....If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them goes astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine and go to the mountains to seek the one that is straying? – Matthew 18:12

For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost. – Luke 19:10

But seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.... – Matthew 6:33a

- D. The word 'needed' means that His journey through Samaria was absolutely \_\_\_\_\_.

"And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd." – John 10:16

I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, that You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth. – Isaiah 49:6b

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together....  
Isaiah 40:5

- E. "Sir – I perceive that you are a \_\_\_\_\_". – John 4:19

"Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship." – John 4:20

- F. This conversation has gotten too painful and personal; so she desires to change the \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. Jesus was not to be diverted from this woman's great need to be transformed from a rebel into a \_\_\_\_\_.

## II. THE OBJECT OF TRUE WORSHIP

**Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship for salvation is of the Jews."– John 4:21-22**

- A. The essential focus of worship is no longer tied to a specific location; because both locations will be obsolete very \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. You have not only lived a life of blatant immorality; but you have also lived a life of spiritual ignorance and \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. The Samaritans were attempting to worship God in a religious system that was \_\_\_\_\_.

- D. The Jewish people possessed the truth that should have pointed them to worship the coming \_\_\_\_\_.

... Who are Israelites, to whom pertain the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service of God, and the promises; of whom are the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, the eternally blessed God. Amen – Romans 9:3-5

- E. The Samaritans had failed to worship God in **TRUTH**; but most of the Jews had failed to worship God in \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. The Lord is drawing this woman's mind away from a place and a ritual; and urging her to focus on the object of \_\_\_\_\_ worship.
- G. The life and work of Jesus Christ is going to bring about a glorious change, in relation to our \_\_\_\_\_ to God in worship.
- H. The "True Worshiper" can now worship God as his intimate, personal and loving Father, through the mediation of the \_\_\_\_\_.

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name.– John 1:12

- I. God is described in the New Testament, as the Father of our Lord Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.

...that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him. – John 5:23

...You, O Lord, are our Father; our Redeemer from Everlasting is Your name. – Isaiah 62:16b

But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You our potter; and all we are the work of Your hand. – Isaiah 64:8

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# WHAT IS TRUE AND ACCEPTABLE WORSHIP!

## PART II

### Session 3



### III. THE NATURE OF TRUE WORSHIP

**The true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth.  
– v. 23b**

- A. There is an order in this passage that must be the proper order for the Christian \_\_\_\_\_.

When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. – Matthew 28:17

- B. The ultimate priority of our lives is not evangelism; it is \_\_\_\_\_.

- C. The primary purpose for evangelism is to populate Earth and Heaven with more \_\_\_\_\_.

That the Gentiles might glorify God for His mercy... – Romans 15:9

#### I. WORSHIP IN SPIRIT

- A. We can only 'worship God in spirit' by the energy and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit.

For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the Spirit... – Philippians 3:3a

- B. It is revealing work of the Holy Spirit that enables us to see the invisible; to know the unknowable, and to experience the \_\_\_\_\_.

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! – Romans 11:33

For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever.  
Amen. – Romans 11:36

- C. There is no need for a candle, when the noonday sun is shining; there was no more need for the shadows of the ceremonial law, when the Son of God has \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. The New Covenant is called 'The Ministry of the Spirit', because He now \_\_\_\_\_ in the lives of God's true worshipers.
- E. To 'worship in spirit' is to express a living, internal reality of worship, flowing from sincerity in your \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. To 'worship in spirit' is to have a heart that is \_\_\_\_\_ over in adoration for the Lord.
- G. To 'worship in spirit' is to worship God with a \_\_\_\_\_ heart.

....unite my heart to fear Your name - (to worship You). I will praise You, O Lord my God, with all of my heart, ... - Psalm 86:11-12

- H. The heart that 'worships God in spirit' has been freed from all idolatry to worship Jesus, without \_\_\_\_\_.
- I. "This people honor Me with their lips but their heart is far from Me. And in \_\_\_\_\_ they do worship Me..." – Mark 7:6-7a
- J. Genuine worship occurs when the regenerated spirit of a man meets with God and glories in \_\_\_\_\_ alone.
- K. True worship reaches to a much higher level; for true worship is to glory in the splendor and perfections of 'WHO GOD IS' in \_\_\_\_\_.

**IS YOUR HEART  
BOILING OVER  
WITH ADORATION  
FOR THE  
LORD?**

# WORSHIP IN TRUTH

## Session 4



**“God is Spirit and those who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.”- John 4:24**

- A. To worship in truth is to worship ‘The Living Word’, the Lord Jesus Christ, as He is revealed in the \_\_\_\_\_ word.
- B. Worship that is pleasing to the Lord is to be both sincere in devotion and sound in \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. I desire to raise the affections of my hearers as high as I possibly can, provided that they are affected with nothing but \_\_\_\_\_.

Your word is truth.— John 17:17b

- D. If we are going to ‘worship in truth’, then our worship must be \_\_\_\_\_centered.

I am the way, the truth, and the life. – John 14:6a

...but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. – John 1:17b

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. – John 1:14

- E. All that we have from God comes through the merits of Jesus; all of our worship to God must flow through the mediation of \_\_\_\_\_.

Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying:

“You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals;  
For You were slain,

And have redeemed us to God by Your blood  
Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,  
And have made us kings and priests to our God;  
And we shall reign on the earth.” - Revelation 5:8-10

...saying with a loud voice:  
“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
To receive power and riches and wisdom,  
And strength and honor and glory and blessing!” Revelation 5:12

...I heard saying:  
“Blessing and honor and glory and power  
Be to Him who sits on the throne, And to the Lamb, forever and ever!”  
Revelation 5:13

F. Worship that is pleasing to God must have truth at its \_\_\_\_\_.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. – Colossians 3:16

The Lord *is* near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth. – Psalm 145:18

G. When we worship God in spirit and in truth, God will be \_\_\_\_\_!

By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples. – John 15:8

H. She came to personally experience the reality of worship, the nature of worship, and the object of true worship; and this worshiper of the Lord immediately became a \_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord.

I. Her worship of the Lord Jesus became the fuel to energize her to witness to her \_\_\_\_\_.

J. When we glorify God in a life of true worship, we will obey Him with a life of faithful \_\_\_\_\_.

**Fervent Worshipers Always Become  
Faithful Witnesses**

## THE NEW TESTAMENT CONSECRATION SACRIFICE OF WORSHIP

### Session 5



**I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service and do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. – Romans 12:1-2**

1. The Lord Jesus has redeemed us to create a new race of humanity, who enjoys a living \_\_\_\_\_ with Him.

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned - (in Adam). – Romans 5:12

2. When Adam fell into sin, the Lord placed the entire human race on the side of His holy ledger of justice, which says, 'sinner in \_\_\_\_\_ with Adam'.

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked... - Jeremiah 17:9a

For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners... - Romans 5:19a

3. When a person becomes a 'New Creation', they are brought into a vital union with the last \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus Christ.
4. The Lord Jesus Christ gave Himself for us, so that we might give ourselves to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. This phrase in Romans 12:2 may also be translated, "which is your \_\_\_\_\_ worship".

## I. THE CALL TO WORSHIP

### **“I BESEECH YOU THEREFORE BRETHREN”**

- A. This spiritual service of worship is only possible for those who have been \_\_\_\_\_ from above.

For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? – Mark 8:36-37

- B. Only those who have given their souls to the Lord in authentic conversion, possess the ability to give their lives to the Lord in \_\_\_\_\_ worship.

That in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded in the riches of their liberality. – II Corinthians 8:2

...but they first gave themselves to the Lord, and then to us by the will of God. – II Corinthians 8:5

### **“I BESEECH YOU”**

- C. The word ‘Beseech’ is a word of exhortation, which is baptized with an urgent \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. The secret of victorious Christian living is not in ‘trying to get more from God’; but in ‘giving all that you are and \_\_\_\_\_’ to God.
- E. “He is no fool to give what he cannot keep; in order to gain what he cannot \_\_\_\_\_”.

## II. THE CATALYST FOR WORSHIP

### **“BY THE MERCIES OF GOD”**

- A. Paul is speaking of all of the spiritual blessings involved in salvation, which he had presented in the previous 11 \_\_\_\_\_ of Romans.

- B. “I will have mercy on whomever I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whomever I will have compassion.” So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of \_\_\_\_\_ who shows mercy. – Romans 9:15-16

And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. – Ephesians 2:1-3

- C. “But God, who was rich in \_\_\_\_\_”. – Ephesians 2:4

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us... - Titus 3:5a

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me? – Psalm 116:12

- D. When you consider the marvelous mercies of God, the only logical response is to worship the Lord, with all of your heart, with all of your soul, with all of your mind and with all of your \_\_\_\_\_.

### III. THE CHARACTERISTIC OF WORSHIP

#### “THAT YOU PRESENT YOUR BODIES”

- A. If you truly believe this gospel, it must radically affect the manner in which you live your life, in this mortal \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. The greatest obstacle that opposes our responsibility to be a sincere and spiritual worshiper is our own unredeemed \_\_\_\_\_.

O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? – Romans 7:24

- C. We are personally responsible to worship the Lord, by continually yielding these unredeemed bodies to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.

D. And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to \_\_\_\_\_. – Romans 6:13

E. True worship begins in the heart; but it will be expressed externally, by living in these bodies, in a manner that will \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.

Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? – I Corinthians 6:19

F. For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are \_\_\_\_\_. – I Corinthians 6:20

**Have You Been Purchased  
With Jesus'  
Royal Blood?**

**If So,  
Then You Belong  
To The  
King Of Kings!**

**Glorify God with His Royal Property!**

**THE NEW TESTAMENT CONSECRATION  
SACRIFICE OF WORSHIP  
PART II**

**Session 6**



- G. The Old Testament word for 'Worship' is a word that meant to \_\_\_\_\_ before a king in humility, reverence and honor.

When they saw Him, they worshiped Him... - Matthew 28:17

- H. I will not worship with that which cost me \_\_\_\_\_. – II Samuel 24:24b
- I. There is a cost to be counted, in New Testament worship; God desires the total dedication of your \_\_\_\_\_.

**“AS LIVING SACRIFICES”**

- A. The Old Testament sacrifice was an offering of \_\_\_\_\_ animals.
- B. The Great High Priest has offered Himself, as the Lamb of God, to be a sacrifice in \_\_\_\_\_ place.
- C. This phrase, 'As Living Sacrifices' is taken from an Old Testament term which described the 'Burnt Offering' of \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. We offer the 'sacrifice of worship', by yielding the totality of our lives, so that the Holy Spirit may consume this 'Living Sacrifice' with His Holy \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. The words 'Living Sacrifice' also inform us that this is to be a \_\_\_\_\_ sacrifice.

## **“A HOLY SACRIFICE”**

For this is the will of God, your sanctification... - I Thessalonians 4:3a

But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. – Romans 6:22

And do not present your members as instruments of righteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. – Romans 6:13

... so now present your members as slaves or righteousness for holiness. – Romans 6:19b

A. This Holy Sacrifice of worship is to be ‘set apart’ from the flesh’s plans and \_\_\_\_\_.

(1) Our Great High Priest desires that His vessels be purified from all defilement of the world and of the \_\_\_\_\_.

Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master... - II Timothy 2:21a

Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. – II Corinthians 7:1

... but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. – Romans 8:13b

That you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts... - Ephesians 4:22

(2) God is calling us to purify ourselves from the sinful defects, that would cause the ‘sacrifice of worship’ to be \_\_\_\_\_.

B. This Holy Sacrifice is to be ‘set apart’ unto God’s plans and \_\_\_\_\_.

(1) We are only earthen vessels on our own; but when the ‘Great High Priest’ cleanses us and sets us apart for His plans and purposes, we become \_\_\_\_\_ vessels.

### **“ACCEPTABLE UNTO GOD”**

- A. As we present our lives as a living and holy sacrifice to the Lord, our lives become a pleasing fragrance to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. And walk in Love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ephesians 5:2
- C. You also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up sacrifices \_\_\_\_\_ to God through Jesus Christ. - I Peter 2:5

For we are to God the fragrance of Christ... - II Corinthians 2:15a

Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. – II Corinthians 5:9

- D. There is only one acceptable sacrifice; that you give the totality of your life to the One who gave the totality of His life for \_\_\_\_\_.

**We Are To  
Be The Fragrance  
Of Christ!**

# WORSHIPING THE LORD IN YOUR DAILY PERSONAL DEVOTIONAL LIFE

## Session 7



**But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. II Corinthians 3:18**

### I. THE IMPORTANCE OF A DAILY, CONSISTENT, PERSONAL TIME OF WORSHIP OF THE LORD

- A. I am submitting to you that this 'sacrifice of worship' must flow from a daily priority, a quality and a consistent time of intimate, personal communion with the \_\_\_\_\_.

One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple. – Psalm 27:4

- B. Your first and most important responsibility is the nurture and cultivation of your own \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord.
- C. The true convert has a daily realization of his total dependence on God's provision and power; and the reality of this dependence inspires him to pursue worship, in the \_\_\_\_\_ communion with God.

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planed by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper. – Psalms 1:1-3

- D. It is through our secret time with God, that our love for Jesus is deepened and \_\_\_\_\_.



My sheep hear My voice, and I know them,  
and they follow Me. – John 10:27

## II. THE INSTRUCTION FOR A DAILY, PERSONAL TIME OF WORSHIP

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. – II Corinthians 3:18

- A. This verse proclaims that growth in the life of a believer is closely related to receiving, apprehending, and applying a biblical \_\_\_\_\_ of the glory of the Lord.

### “BEHOLDING AS IN A MIRROR”

Of God’s own will He brought us forth by the word of truth... - James 1:18a

“Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.” – John 17:17

### “BEHOLDING AS IN A MIRROR THE GLORY OF THE LORD”

- B. Everything that you need to apprehend and apply, concerning the “Glory of the Lord”, is found in the Person and the Work of the \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ.

Who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins.... – Hebrews 1:3

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. – John 1:14

## **“BUT WE ALL, WITH UNVEILED FACE”**

But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. – II Corinthians 4:3-4

- C. There is no obstacle that is hindering us from beholding the Glory of the Lord Jesus in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him. – Colossians 2:6

- D. Our ‘conforming to the likeness of Jesus’ comes primarily from ‘beholding His glory’ in the \_\_\_\_\_.



## **“JUST AS BY THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD”**

- E. The Holy Spirit works this transforming power in us, only in relation to the time that we spend in personal worship, through our daily devotional \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. You become what you \_\_\_\_\_.



### **3 important realities involved in “Beholding The Glory Of The Lord”**

- CONTEMPLATION
- REFLECTION
- TRANSFORMATION

#### **(1) CONTEMPLATION**

- a. To contemplate on a spiritual truth, from a passage or a verse, for an extended period of \_\_\_\_\_.

- b. This contemplation is to study and meditate carefully, with the purpose of applying this particular truth \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Are you willing to sacrifice whatever is necessary, so that you may spend this essential \_\_\_\_\_ in contemplation?

## (2) REFLECTION

### “BEHOLDING AS IN A MIRROR”

- a. The life of the believer who is continually involved in contemplation and reflection begins to reflect His glory, in their \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. If you place a piece of iron within the range of a magnet, the iron will become magnetized; and if you continually place your life at the feet of Jesus in contemplation and reflection, His glory will begin to spiritually \_\_\_\_\_ your character.



### The Key to this Reflection is found in James 1:22-25

**But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.**

- c. The key to a growing reflection of the glory of the Lord in your character is your personal \_\_\_\_\_ of the Word of God.
- d. To be a ‘Hearer of the Word’ and not a ‘Doer of the Word’ is the height of religious \_\_\_\_\_.

- e. For He observes himself, goes away and immediately \_\_\_\_\_ what kind of man he was.
- f. It is spiritual insanity for us to have an encounter with the Word, and then to forget to submit to its direction and \_\_\_\_\_.

**“BUT HE WHO LOOKS INTO THE PERFECT LAW OF LIBERTY AND CONTINUES IN IT”**

- g. The gaze of his soul is fixed on the Word of God with an attentive care and a \_\_\_\_\_ consideration.

**(3) TRANSFORMATION**

**“HE IS BEING TRANSFORMED INTO THE SAME IMAGE FROM GLORY TO GLORY”**

- a. The Glory of Jesus will increasingly dominate his \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. The price for eternity is too great to pay, for you to \_\_\_\_\_ your daily time of personal worship.

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. – II Corinthians 3:18

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. – Romans 12:2

- c. The word ‘Transformed’ is the same Greek word, which was used when the Lord Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_.

And He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. – Matthew 17:2

The glory that you have given Me I have given them... – John 17:22a

- d. We are called to manifest the Glory of God, not in visible light, but in spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

## THE CRISIS OF WORSHIP

**“WILL A MAN WORSHIP GOD FOR NOTHING?”**

### Session 8



**JOB 1:1-3 - There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was blameless and upright, and one who feared God and shunned evil. And seven sons and three daughters were born to him. Also, his possessions were seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a very large household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East.**

**JOB 1:6-22 - Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. And the Lord said to Satan, “From where do you come?” So Satan answered the Lord and said, “From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it.” Then the Lord said to Satan, “Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?”**

**So Satan answered the Lord and said, “Does Job fear God for nothing? Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!”**

**And the Lord said to Satan, “Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person.” So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord.**

**Now there was a day when his sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house; and a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys feeding beside them, when the Sabeans raided them and took them away—indeed they have killed the servants with the edge of the sword; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"**

**While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants, and consumed them; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"**

**While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three bands, raided the camels and took them away, yes, and killed the servants with the edge of the sword; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"**

**While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "Your sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house, and suddenly a great wind came from across the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people, and they are dead; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"**

**Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head; and he fell to the ground and worshiped. And he said:**

**"Naked I came from my mother's womb,  
And naked shall I return there.  
The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away;  
Blessed be the name of the Lord."**

**In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.**

A. These adversities are inevitable realities in the Christian \_\_\_\_\_.

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let your patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. – James 1:2-4

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials. – 1 Peter 1:6

- B. We can expect to be tried and tested with a variety of adversities, in many different forms and \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. When James uses the word 'fall', it means to suddenly and unexpectedly be distressed by falling into a \_\_\_\_\_ of adversity.
- D. An adversity or affliction cannot possibly enter into a believer's life unless or sovereign Lord and God \_\_\_\_\_ it.
- E. The Highway of Holiness is paved with a variety of blessings and a variety of \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. When adversity comes to your door, will you curse God in unbelief; or will you worship and bless the Lord God who gives and the God who \_\_\_\_\_ away?
- G. The entire emphasis of the book of Job reveals some amazing truths, concerning the mysteries of 'the sovereignty of God in the sufferings of the people of \_\_\_\_\_'.

## **WORSHIPING THE LORD IN THE VALLEY OF ADVERSITY**

### **I. JOB WAS LIVING A LIFE OF \_\_\_\_\_ PROSPERITY.**

- A. Job is described as a \_\_\_\_\_ man.
- B. Job is also described as an \_\_\_\_\_ man.

“...Even if these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness,” says the Lord God. – Ezekiel 14:14

- C. Job was a man who demonstrated a reverential life of \_\_\_\_\_ of his Lord and God.
- D. Job was a man who turned away from \_\_\_\_\_.

## II. JOB WAS LIVING A LIFE OF FAMILY PROSPERITY

- And seven sons and three daughters were born to him. - v. 2
- And his sons would go and feast in their houses, each on his appointed day, and would send and invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. - v. 4
- So it was, when the days of feasting had run their course, that Job would send and sanctify them, and he would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all. - v. 5
- For Job said, "It may be that my sons have sinned and cursed God in their hearts." Thus Job did regularly. - v. 5

## III. JOB WAS A MAN OF MATERIAL PROSPERITY

Also, his possessions were seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a very large household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East. – v. 3

- A. Job was a rare combination of both spiritual wealth and \_\_\_\_\_ wealth.

## IV. JOB BECOMES THE OBJECT OF A HEAVENLY CONVERSATION

Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. – v. 6

- A. Satan is forced by the Almighty Lord and God to give an account of his activities on the \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Satan possesses supernatural \_\_\_\_\_.

All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.  
Matthew 28:18b

2. Satan can do nothing in the life of a believer without Divine \_\_\_\_\_ from our omnipotent and sovereign Lord.

- B. There are certain realms in which Satan is permitted to operate, and to carry his wicked plans and purposes. But they are always under the Lord's sovereign \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. The Lord God is not asking Satan for information, for He is omniscient. Our Lord is interrogating this \_\_\_\_\_ angel.

So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. ..." – Revelation 12:9-10

- D. The accuser of the brethren is continually seeking to ruin the testimony of followers of the Lord, by shooting his fiery darts of temptations into their minds and tempting them to sin against God and rob Him of \_\_\_\_\_.

Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that *there is* none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?" Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that *there is* none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?" – v. 8

- E. It wasn't Satan who brought Job to God's attention. It was the Lord God who brought Job to Satan's \_\_\_\_\_.

## V. JOB BECOMES THE TARGET OF A SATANIC ACCUSATION

So Satan answered the Lord and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing?" – v. 9

- A. Satan simultaneously charges God with buying Job's worship; and accuses Job of worshiping the Lord for \_\_\_\_\_ reasons.

Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. – v. 10

- B. When our sovereign Lord determines to protect a believer, there is nothing that Satan can do to \_\_\_\_\_ that hedge of protection.
- C. Satan is confessing that any power that he possesses is only granted and limited power. So he can only attack Job with God's sovereign \_\_\_\_\_.

But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!" – v.11

- D. If you allow me to attack Job with great adversities, I will prove to You that he only worships you because of Your material and family \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. Every adversity that comes to your life is a call to prove your allegiance to the Lord; and to prove that you treasure the Lord God above anyone and anything else, as the supreme object of your \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. Our Lord and God is putting the authenticity of our worship of Him on public \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. Every adversity or affliction is an opportunity for you to demonstrate that, 'even in the midst of your most terrible storm of calamity'; the Lord Jesus is still your \_\_\_\_\_ of great price.

...many believed in His name when they saw the signs which He did. But Jesus did not commit Himself to them, because He knew all men, and had no need that anyone should testify of man, for He knew what was in man. – John 2:23-25

- H. There are still many today who attach themselves to Jesus, only because they are seeking personal benefits from \_\_\_\_\_.
- I. Since Satan could not bring any accusation against Job's character, he attempted to bring an accusation against his \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. Satan desires to tempt us to exit the path of worship in the valley of adversity; and contaminate our testimony for the \_\_\_\_\_.

K. Will you worship the Lord Jesus Christ, with the consecration sacrifice of the totality of your life and your service, solely and unconditionally because the Lord is absolutely worthy of your true and spiritual service of \_\_\_\_\_.

L. Would you be able to honestly testify, “Though He slay me, yet will I \_\_\_\_\_ Him”!

And the Lord said to Satan, “Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person.” So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord. – v. 12

M. Our sovereign and omnipotent Lord grants Satan permission to bring these adversities. But God also defines certain limitations, concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ in which the enemy is permitted to strike.

N. Our Lord was putting Job’s authentic worship of Him on public display. Our Lord is going to prove that Job worships God for Himself; not for His \_\_\_\_\_.

## **VI. JOB BECOMES THE OBJECT OF A DISASTROUS DEVASTATION**

A. Satan departed from the Throne of the sovereign Lord, with divine permission to use his ‘sanctioned and limited power’, to attack Job in \_\_\_\_\_ areas.

1. God is sovereign over the \_\_\_\_\_ of adversity.

2. God is sovereign over the \_\_\_\_\_.

He rules over the nations. – Psalm 22:28b

He makes nations great, and destroys them; He enlarges nations, and guides them. – Job 12:23

3. God is sovereign over \_\_\_\_\_.

For He says to the snow, ‘Fall on the earth’; Likewise to the gentle rain and the heavy rain of His strength. He seals the

hand of every man, that all men may know His work. The beasts go into dens, and remain in their lairs. From the chamber of the south comes the whirlwind, and cold from the scattering winds of the north. By the breath of God ice is given, and the broad waters are frozen. Also with moisture He saturates the thick clouds; He scatters His bright clouds. And they swirl about, being turned by His guidance, that they may do whatever He commands them on the face of the whole earth. He causes it to come, whether for correction, or for His land, Or for mercy. – Job 37:6-13

... He causes His wind to blow, and the waters flow. - Psalm 147:18b

- B. These individual waves of trouble finally escalated into one enormous tidal wave of \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Now, all Job has to show for his life of integrity was abject poverty and 10 freshly dug \_\_\_\_\_!
- D. The contemporary church has been poisoned with a very poor theology of suffering and \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. God's sovereign purpose for your life is not physical health, wealth or prosperity. God's sovereign purpose for your life is to conform you into the image of His \_\_\_\_\_.

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. – Romans 8:28

...He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son... - Romans 8:29b

- F. The words 'all things' in Romans 8:28 includes all of the \_\_\_\_\_ things.

## VII. JOB RESPONDED TO DEVASTATION WITH \_\_\_\_\_.

Then Job arose, tore his robe, and shaved his head; and he fell to the ground and worshiped.- v. 20

- A. Job did not attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ his profound grief.
- B. Job sanctified his mourning with \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Job worshiped the One who is a very present help in time of \_\_\_\_\_. – Psalm 46:1b
- D. Have you learned how to worship your Lord and God in the \_\_\_\_\_ of life?
- E. Job teaches us to worship the Lord our God, even when there are no apparent \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. While Job was in this heart attitude of worship, he reminded himself of the \_\_\_\_\_ of life.

And he said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there." – v. 21a

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit"; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that." But now you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. – James 4:13-16

- 1. All of these material blessings are only temporary; they can be here today and gone \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. Job refused to be bitter and angry over the loss of the things that he could not take with him, when he leaves this \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. While Job was in this heart attitude of worship, he reminded himself of the \_\_\_\_\_ of life.

The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord." – v. 21b

1. Since all of these things belonged to my sovereign Lord, He had the ownership rights to take them all back, in His \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The sovereignty of God becomes the \_\_\_\_\_, on which you can lay your head, in your most severe storm.
3. The sovereignty of God is the only foundation for worship, in the midst of the adversities of \_\_\_\_\_.

H. While Job was in a heart attitude of worship, he reminded himself of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

“Blessed be the name of the Lord.” – v.21c

1. Job blessed God as His supreme and eternal \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God desires that our worship be wholly given to \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The Lord God is worthy to be worshiped when we are being tempted by the enemy to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

## **VIII. JOB CONQUERED THE ENEMY’S TEMPTATION TO SIN THROUGH HIS UNCONDITIONAL WORSHIP**

In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong. – v.22

A. The hour of the darkest adversity is also an hour of the danger of \_\_\_\_\_ against God.

...You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord... - James 5:11b

Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. – James 1:12

1. God's supreme eternal blessings are not promised to those who avoid the testing's of adversity. Those blessings are promised to those who \_\_\_\_\_ those adversities, with patient perseverance.
- B. If a person charges God with wrong, in the valley of adversity, they sin against God \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. The 'Health, Wealth and Prosperity' message declares that the people of God should walk through this world without suffering! But the Word of God declares that the people of God would walk through suffering without \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. The prosperity message would say that, 'God is most glorified, by preserving you from poverty, illness and pain'. But the Word of God declares that 'God is most glorified, by \_\_\_\_\_ you in the midst of poverty, illness and pain'!
- E. As followers of Jesus Christ, it is both our duty and our \_\_\_\_\_ to worship God in the valley of adversity.

For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory... – II Corinthians 4:17

- F. If Job worshiped God and did not sin, in the midst of the storm, then why shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_?

## Every Crisis Or Adversity



## Is A Call To Worship!

# THE CRISIS OF WORSHIP

## THE TRUE GOSPEL A GOSPEL OF SPIRITUAL PROSPERITY AND MATERIAL GENEROSITY

### Session 9



**“And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home. He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, how will you commit to your trust true riches? And if you have not been faithful in what is another man’s, how will he give you what is your own? No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.” – Luke 16:9-13**

Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy. – I Peter 4:12-13

Therefore let those who suffer according to the will of God commit their souls to Him in doing good, as to a faithful Creator. – I Peter 4:19

For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake... - Philippians 1:29

...that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death... - Philippians 3:10

And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. - Romans 5:3-4

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. – Romans 8:18

Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. – II Corinthians 4:16

1. Some teachers would have us believe that we are to live for the self-indulgence of wealth and prosperity. However, the true gospel teaches a message of self-\_\_\_\_\_.

Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me." – Luke 9:23

Now godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. – I Timothy 6:6-10

2. Some teachers are proclaiming a message that is actually encouraging people to commit this spiritual \_\_\_\_\_, through their lusts for wealth and prosperity.
3. Some teachers proclaim a message that declares that 'following Jesus' is the \_\_\_\_\_ to the momentary and material riches of this world.

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where you treasure is, there your heart will be also. – Matthew 6:19-21

4. Some teachers proclaim a message that declares that the Christian life is the present glory of earthly prosperity. Jesus proclaims a message that declares that the Christian life is a life of temporary suffering and eternal glory and heavenly \_\_\_\_\_.

**“NO SERVANT CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS; FOR EITHER HE WILL HATE THE ONE AND LOVE THE OTHER, OR ELSE HE WILL BE LOYAL TO THE ONE AND DESPISE THE OTHER. YOU CANNOT SERVE GOD AND MAMMON.” – Matthew 6:24**

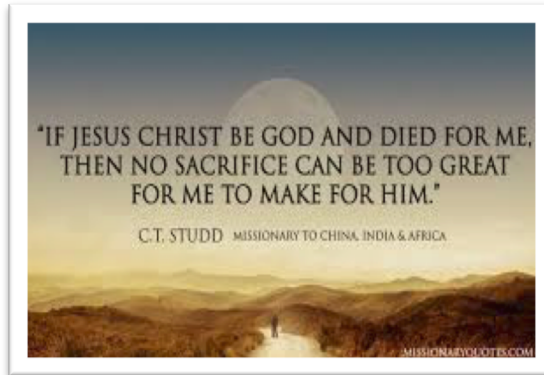
- A. A faithful steward will use his master’s resources wisely, so that he may produce true riches and eternal \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven.
- B. There are some false religions who worship a false God whose only function is to give them \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. These cargo worshipers are not interested in presenting the totality of their lives to the Lord as a living, holy and an acceptable \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity who is given to disciples to enable them to do what their \_\_\_\_\_ desires.
- E. Useless wrangling of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself. But godliness with \_\_\_\_\_ is great gain. – I Timothy 6:5b-6
- F. The Lord Jesus did not come to earth to satisfy unregenerate \_\_\_\_\_ of your sinful flesh.

... covetousness, which is idolatry. – Colossians 3:5c

- G. When a person has a great desire for something that is not considered to be great, from God’s perspective, this is the wickedness of \_\_\_\_\_ worship.
- H. The true worshiper does not live for God’s material blessings in the present; He is living for God’s eternal \_\_\_\_\_.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls, who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.” – Matthew 13:45-46

- I. Only one life - will soon be past; only what's done for Christ will \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. The promises that Jesus gives to his authentic followers are spiritual blessings on this earth; as well as physical troubles, tribulations, trials, persecutions and true \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven.



- K. Keep your life free from the love of money and be \_\_\_\_\_ with what you have.

**“AND I SAY TO YOU, MAKE FRIENDS FOR YOURSELVES BY UNRIGHTEOUSNESS MONEY, THAT WHEN YOU FAIL, THEY MAY RECEIVE YOU INTO AN EVERLASTING HOME... .” – LUKE 16:9**

- A. If you are going to pull up the weeds of ‘the idolatry of the worship of wealth’, then you must invest your treasure in friends who will welcome you into \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. If you are going to pull up the weeds of ‘the idolatry of the worship of wealth’, then you must make it your ambition to give more and not to \_\_\_\_\_ more.
- C. Are you building your life on the Lord; or, are you building your life on what you want the Lord to \_\_\_\_\_ to you?

Therefore, if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? – Luke 16:11

- D. Do you understand that all of this temporary wealth and prosperity of this world does not belong to any human being on the \_\_\_\_\_.

“And if you have not been faithful in what is another man’s; who will give you what is your own?” – Luke 16:12

The earth is the Lord’s, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein. - Psalm 24:1

...The earth is full of Your possessions. – Psalm 104:24b

‘The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine’, says the Lord of hosts. – Haggai 2:8

...For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours;... - I Chronicles 29:11b

- E. If you are living, as if this temporary wealth is actually yours and you are wasting it on yourself, then you are an unfaithful \_\_\_\_\_.

But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided!’ – Luke 12:20

- F. The faithful steward will invest in true riches for eternity. The unfaithful steward provides himself with \_\_\_\_\_ riches.
- G. When earthly prosperity fails, on the day that you die, you will have friends in heaven; because you joyfully and sacrificially gave to the extension of the kingdom of Jesus and the salvation of \_\_\_\_\_.
- H. God is going to reward your stewardship of temporary riches, with the eternal rewards of eternal friends, eternal joy and an enlarged eternal \_\_\_\_\_ to worship our Lord forever.

For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? – I Thessalonians 2:19

- I. Are you investing your money, in such a way, so that the joy of your worship of the Lord will have a greater size and \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven?

I rejoice that my Lord called me to China, India and Africa. I am so thankful that by the grace of God I joyfully responded to Jesus, in the way that the rich, young ruler should have. I sold all that I had, gave it to the poor to have treasure in Heaven. And I took up my cross and follow Jesus Christ. I gave up my life, for the great work in Africa and for all of the un-evangelized world.

C.T. STUDD

**“NO SERVANT CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS; FOR EITHER HE WILL HATE THE ONE AND LOVE THE OTHER, OR ELSE HE WILL BE LOYAL TO ONE AND DESPISE THE OTHER. YOU CANNOT SERVE GOD AND MONEY.” – LUKE 6:13**

- A. The heart of a person is bound and fixed upon the object that is it's \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. We must make a personal decision concerning your choice of \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. The evaluation of the stewardship of your money reveals much about the depth of your \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord.
- D. Will you worship the accumulation of money with a fleshly focus? Or will you worship the Lord and invest money with an \_\_\_\_\_ focus?

**“ONLY ONE LIFE, TWILL SOON BE PAST  
ONLY WHAT’S DONE FOR  
FOR CHRIST WILL LAST”.  
C.T. STUDD**

**“GENTLEMEN, MY LORD HAS CALLED ME TO GO TO  
AFRICA AND I WILL GO. I WILL BLAZE THE TRAIL,  
EVEN THOUGH MY GRAVE MAY ONLY BE A STEPPING  
STONE, SO THAT YOUNGER MEN MAY FOLLOW IN MY  
FOOTSTEPS”.**

**C.T. STUDD**

**“BE ASSURED, IF YOU WALK WITH HIM, AND EXPECT  
HELP FROM HIM, HE WILL NEVER FAIL YOU”.  
GEORGE MUELLER**