

Upside Down

Week Four | Worship | Pastor Allen Jessee

Big Idea

Worship is more than a Sunday activity, even more than music. That being said, though, there is something powerful about gathering together to praise a God who is worthy.

Let's Talk

1. Why do we worship? - It's important to consider the "why" behind the things that we do. We gain clarity and understanding when we know why we do what we do. Why do we worship God?

"Who among the gods is like you, Lord? Who is like you – majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?" Exodus 15:11

"There is no one holy like the Lord; there is no one besides you." 1 Samuel 2:2

2. How should we worship? - There are various viewpoints on how we should worship God. Some like hymns, others like singing with no instruments, and others enjoy loud music or heartfelt expressions. The "how" might not be the same for each person, but the call to praise God is clear. Was there a Hebrew word that Pastor Allen shared that resonated with you? (Halal, Yadah, Bakar, Zamar, Shabach, Towdah, Tehillah) Did hearing the descriptions of praise help you understand how to worship?

3. Who do we worship? - Worship is about giving weight or worth to something. While we may not think about it, we all worship things on a regular basis. The difference between God and anything else is that He does not crumble under the weight of that worship. Are you living a life that worships God? Or, are you placing something else on that seat of worship in your life?

Reflect & Respond

God is uniquely qualified to be worshipped, receive that worship, and continue to remain steadfast in goodness and love. We can't worship God enough and he never tires of the connection that our praise brings Him. He does not need us (He's God), but rather He desires the praise of His people for our good and His glory. Take some time this week to worship God. It can be in the car, at your desk, or in the stillness of a moment. Praise God for what He has done, what He will do, and for who He is!