

ARE YOU A TRUE WORSHIPPER OF GOD?

JOHN 4:20-24

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Introduction

"But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers 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 4:23-24

The worship of God is nowhere defined in Scripture. A consideration of the five Greek words used as verbs in the NT translated "worship" reveal that it is not confined to praise. "Broadly it may be regarded as the direct acknowledgement of God, of His nature, attributes, ways and claims, whether of the outgoing of the heart in praise and thanksgiving or by deed done in such acknowledgement." - *W. E. VINE - AN EXPOSITORY DICTIONARY OF NEW TESTAMENT WORDS*. In worshipping God we are assigning to God His true worth. Two questions arise - "What is God's true worth?" and "How do we become aware of God's true worth?" This brings us to the heart of Christ's words to the Samaritan woman in John 4 quoted above.

I. THREE ABSOLUTE _____ OF JOHN

A. The Necessity of the _____ Birth - 3:7

B. The Necessity of the _____ Death - 3:14

C. The Necessity of _____ Worship - 4:24

II. TWO UNFORTUNATE _____ IN WORSHIP

A. Gerizim - _____ without Truth

B. Jerusalem - _____ without Spirit

III. TWO ABSOLUTE _____ IN WORSHIP

A. We must worship in _____

B. We must worship in _____

FOR THE FATHER IS SEEKING SUCH TO WORSHIP HIM

APPLICATION:

- 1. You must _____ the Holy Spirit**
- 2. Your _____ must be centered on God**
- 3. Your _____ must be based on accurate information**
- 4. Your _____ comes from discovery**
- 5. If you are going to do this - it means _____**