

Worship part 4

John 4:23-24 (NKJV)



23 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. 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."



How are we to Worship?
In Spirit and in Truth.



A. In Spirit

1) You must have a spiritual birth!

John 3:1-8 (NKJV)



⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit."



Ephesians 2:1 (NKJV)

¹ And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,



Romans 8:16 (NKJV)

16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

God's Spirit tells our spirit we are a child of God.



A. In Spirit

2) has to do with connecting, not just with the mind or the will or the emotions but with our spirit.



1 Corinthians 2:9-12 (NKJV)

⁹ But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him." ¹⁰ But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.



11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.



Revelation 1:9-11 (NKJV)

⁹ I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.



¹⁰ I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, ¹¹ saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a book ..."




B. In Truth

1. God's Word is Truth!



1 Corinthians 6:9-11 (NKJV)

*⁹ Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites,
¹⁰ nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.*



11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.



Rejoice in the TRUTH because the truth sets you free.

1 Corinthians 13:6 (NKJV)

⁶ does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth;

John 8:32 (NKJV)

³² And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

A close-up photograph of two hands held open, palms facing upwards. The hands are positioned in the lower right quadrant of the frame. The background is a soft, out-of-focus landscape with a bright light source, possibly the sun, creating a warm, golden glow and lens flare effects. The overall mood is one of hope and openness.

B. In Truth

2. Jesus is Truth!

John 14:6 (NKJV)

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."



Romans 3:4 (NKJV)

⁴ ... let God be true but every man a liar...



B. In Truth

3. Worship in Truth means that we are truthful about our spiritual need.



David:

Psalm 139:23-24 (NLT2)

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

24 Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.



James 3:14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth.

