



WORSHIP

Desire: *to honor and adore the Trinity as the supreme treasure of life.*

Definition: *Worship happens whenever we intentionally cherish God and value him above all else in life. Worship reveals what is important to us.*

Scripture: *"God is Spirit, and His worshipers must worship in Spirit and in truth." (John 4:24)*

"Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our 'God is a consuming fire.'" (Hebrews 12:28-29)

God-given fruit:

- *keeping company with Jesus no matter what happens*
- *filing your mind and heart with the wonder and mystery of God*
- *doing your part in growing your relationship with God*
- *growing in faith, hope and love by basking in the presence of God*
- *focusing on God so you taste more of His goodness and worthiness*

Reflection Questions:

1. *Who is God to you? What name for God best describes your relationship with Him right now, i.e. Father, Creator, Shepherd, Redeemer, Lover, Emmanuel, Provider, Messiah?*
2. *How does worshiping Him alone and worshiping with others affect you?*

Spiritual Exercises:

1. *Think about the times you have been deeply moved in worship. What was happening in your life at that time? What was going on in worship? Put yourself in places where you most easily connect with God in worship.*
2. *Come before God with an open and listening ear. Write the question, "What do I value most?" at the top of a sheet of paper. Answer the question. Then answer this question from the viewpoint of your kids, your spouse or significant other, your colleagues, family members, church friends and God. What do you see about yourself through their eyes? How might what you worship need to change?*