

SUNDAY Discipleship Guide

"The Life of Worship"

For the week of July 16 - 22, 2017

Main Thought:

Genuine worship is not based on ritual or religion; worship flows out of a relationship – a loving relationship between our Father God and His children. Worship is defined as declaring the Word, thought, or action which is the greatness of God and your submission to Him. It also means to honor, to adore, and to give devotion. Worship is not just what happens when the music starts in service, on your media player, or online Christian music sites. Worship fully encompasses our entire life. Our thoughts, actions, and words must be aligned and be devoted by giving God our heart and glory to Him. When that happens, our love for God overflows out of our lives and allows us to unconditionally love others.

Main Passages:

"And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, 'Which commandment is the most important of all?' ²⁹Jesus answered, 'The most important is, "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."³¹The second is this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.'" (Mark 12:28-31 ESV)

"This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me." (Matthew 15:8 ESV)

"And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father." (Colossians 3:17 NLT)

"Let all that you do be done in love." (1 Corinthians 16:14 ESV)

Reflection:

- What stands out to you from the main thought and scripture passages?

Application:

- Share about an experience when you allowed something else or someone else to receive your devotion and worship other than God.
- Share about when you fully committed yourself to a lifestyle of worship and how that has transformed your life.
- What adjustment(s) do you need to make in your life so that God has your full devotion and worship?

Group Prayer:

- Pray for each other and our Pearlside 'Ohana to continue to move forward in their love and faith in Jesus Christ.
- Pray specifically by name for a loved one or friend to be receptive to the love of Jesus Christ as you continue to share and extend the good news of the gospel.

