

1 **WORSHIPPING IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH**

John 4:19-24

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The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. [20] "Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you people say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship."

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[21] Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. [22] "You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.

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[23] "But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers.

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[24] "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

6 **WORSHIP IN SPIRIT?**

- ▶ Mystical Experience???
- ▶ A certain thing we do???
- ▶ Any help from Scripture???

7 **JOHN 3:5-6**

Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

8 **JOHN 1:12-13**

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, [13] who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

9 **BORN "OF GOD" IS "OF SPIRIT"**

- ▶ Of blood= descendant
- ▶ Will of flesh= human desire (feelings)
- ▶ Will of man= human effort (works)
- ▶ Of (in) Spirit is not these!

10 **GALATIANS 3:3**

Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

11 **GALATIANS 3:4-5**

Did you suffer so many things in vain--if indeed it was in vain? [5] So then, does He

who provides you with the Spirit and works miracles among you, do it by the works of the Law, or by hearing with faith?

12 **GALATIANS 5:25**

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

13 **BY (WITH/IN) THE SPIRIT**

- ▶ "Hearing with faith"
- ▶ Living in the Spirit is a choice to trust, not feeling, not heredity, not performing...
- ▶ Living in the Spirit is choosing to believe!

14 **WORSHIPING IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH**

To worship "in Spirit" is to believe

15 **WORSHIPING IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH**

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. - (John 14:6)

16 **WORSHIPING IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH**

- ▶ Truth is a person
- ▶ Truth is everything that Jesus did and stands for
- ▶ Truth is centered in the cross!

17 **WORSHIPING IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH**

Jesus is the center of it all! He is the center of worship, he is the lens through whom we see God and the world, he is the ultimate WORD of God!

18 **JESUS CHRIST!**

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