

## The Priority of Passionate Worship

Text: John 4:16-24

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**Big Idea: Because God commands true worship, we must passionately prioritize it.**

**Context is key!**

### Question #1 (Context)

*Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?*

- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

### Question #2 (Context)

*Ask Yourself: What does the text say about God and about me?*

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- c) How does the text point to my need for Jesus?

### Question #3

- a) What is worship? Is it a single event or lifestyle?
- b) What does it mean to live a life of passionate worship?
- c) Why is the passionate worship of God the reason that the mission of the church exists?

True worship flows from an...

### Point 1: Undeniable **NEED** for Jesus (vv. 16-19)

*Question: True worship declares, "Jesus is my greatest need!" Are you living in this truth?*

### Question #4

- a) **Rd vv. 16-19:** What was Jesus trying to show this lady at this point in their conversation?
- b) Why is recognizing that Jesus is our greatest need, the starting point of all true worship of Him?
- c) What 'greater needs' do you substitute for Jesus? What happens to your worship when you do this?

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### Point 2: Unwavering **FAITH** in Jesus (vv. 20-24)

*Question: Faith in Jesus is the fuel of true worship. Is it fuelling yours?*

### Question #5

- a) **Rd. vv. 20-21:** What things was this woman focused on that were hindering her true worship of Jesus?
- b) **Rd. v. 23:** What is the hour that Jesus was speaking of? By saying this, what was Jesus declaring that was the only thing that could meet God's standard for true worship?
- c) Discuss how Jesus, through the gospel empowers us to worship God in spirit and truth.

### Question #6

- a) **Rd v. 24:** Describe what Jesus means when He commands that true worship must be in spirit and in truth.
- b) What are some worship 'contaminants' that can hinder our worship from the heart and in the truth?
- c) What next steps can you take this week to grow in worshipping in spirit? How about in the truth?

### Prayer Application

Spend time as a group or in accountability praying John 4:16-24. Specifically..

- a) ADORATION: Father, I worship You because You are\_\_\_\_\_ .
- b) CONFESSION: Lord, forgive me for making my worship more about\_\_\_\_\_ than You.
- c) THANKSGIVING: Jesus, thank-You for making true worship possible by\_\_\_\_\_.
- d) SUPPLICATION: Father, help me to offer You true worship in/when\_\_\_\_\_.

#### *Memory Verse:*

*"God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."-John 4:24*