July 16, 2023 - True Worship

Connect:

When is a time that you've experienced a "wow" moment in nature, in a relationship, or in any other area of your life?

How did the Lord use that "wow" moment to move you to worship?

Engage:

Read Colossians 1:15-17

Dr. Jimmy said, "When we were all born, we were born worshiping something." Do you agree or disagree with this statement? How have you seen this be true in your life?

This verse reminds us that God is ALWAYS working. Society often views God as "a static god that sits back and lets things just play out."

What's a time in your life when you've been guilty of this false belief?

What happened to help you break this false way of thinking?

Read John 4:20-24, Deuteronomy 10:20-21

"Worship is not limited to a certain way, time, or a location."

Do you consider yourself a worshiper?

Does worship come easily to you or does it take work for you to live a lifestyle of worship?

What confines or parameters are you tempted to place on worship? We often feel like worship is limited to corporate singing in church or a devotional time in the morning. Why do you think we are so often guilty of limiting worship?

Read 2 Samuel 9:1,11, 2 Kings 5:1, 17-18, Luke 7:37-38

In these passages we see the expression of love, the act of devotion, and the extravagant sacrifice as acts of worship. God desires and allows a diversity of worship in who we are and what we do.

What "ordinary acts of worship" do you most regularly perform?

Do you see these things as worship or are you guilty of overlooking your ordinary obedience?

Apply:

In what areas of your life do you see God working to "make all things new"?

"True worship is an **enduring** expression of love toward God, a **continuous** (Matthew 10:7) outpouring of ourselves for HIS purpose and glory" How true of your worship is this?

Read Revelation 4: 8 - "He inhabits the praises of His people."

When we worship corporately, we join the body of believers around the world raising praise and prayers along with them and alongside the heavens.

Dr. Jimmy left us with these two application questions:

- 1. What if you approached and practiced your Christianity as if there was no gathering time?
- 2. What applications would that imply for your worship? How would your worship change? What would your worship lose?

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Back to School Bash

Join us Wednesday, July 26 at 6:00pm for a fun night as we celebrate a great summer and look forward to a new school year! Back to School Bash will take place in the back parking lot of Fondren Church.

Serve

Serve Teams are your way to serve and lead at Fondren Church. God has given you a unique gifting and those gifts can help strengthen the church. How are you looking to serve and lead? Sign up at fondrenchurch.com/serve.

About Fondren - Sunday, August 20 @ 10:30am

Join us in the Breezeway Room for a brief time to learn what we're all about as a church. It is your place to meet people, ask questions, and let us know your interests. At this event, you'll get an overview of key areas of our church and ways for you to get involved.

Check out the book - *Unceasing Worship* by Harold Best