

## At the Crossroads - pt. 2

Jeremiah 6:16 (NLT) "This is what the LORD says: "Stop at the crossroads and look around. Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it. Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls."

**First: There is a requirement.**

### A. The holiness Of God.

Isaiah 43:10-13 (NASB) "You are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "and My servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe Me and understand that I Am He. Before Me there was no god formed, and there will be none after Me. I, even I Am the LORD, And there is no savior besides Me. It is I who have declared and saved and proclaimed, and there was no strange god among you; so you are My witnesses," declares the LORD, "and I Am God. Even from eternity I Am He, And there is none who can deliver out of My hand; I act and who can reverse it?"

### B. Undefined WORSHIP.

Revelation 4:11 (NASB) "Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created."

Exodus 20:3-5a (NASB) "You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God."

Isaiah 1:13-15 (NASB) "Bring your worthless offerings no longer, incense is an abomination to Me. New moon and sabbath, the calling of assemblies - I cannot endure iniquity and the solemn assembly. I hate your new moon festivals and your appointed feasts, they have become a burden to Me; I am weary of bearing them. So when you spread out your hands in prayer, I will hide My eyes from you; yes, even though you multiply prayers, I will not listen. Your hands are covered with blood."

John 4:23-24 (HCSB) "But an hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth. Yes, the Father wants such people to worship Him. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

1 Corinthians 2: 11b-12 (NASB) "The thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God."

### How does true worship MANIFEST itself?

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**First: Worship is not an ACCIDENT - it is DELIBERATE.**

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**Second: Worship is MULTIFACETED not ONE-DIMENSIONAL.**

Mark 12:30 (NASB) "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."

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## NOTES



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### 1. Worship involves a life of **GRATITUDE**.

“I will give thanks to the LORD with all my heart.”

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NASB) Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

### 2. Worship involves a life of **WITNESS**.

“I will tell of all Your wonders.”

Colossians 1:28 (NASB) “We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ.”

### 3. Worship involves a life of **JOYFUL SERVICE**.

“I will be glad and (I will) exult in You.”

Romans 12:1 (NASB) “I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.”

### 4. Worship elevates the **HONOR** of His holy Name.

“I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.”

Colossians 3:17 (NASB) “Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.”

#### Application:

How would you describe your worship experience?

- I have a difficult time focusing on God.
- I am easily distracted by other things.
- I worship God in spirit and in truth.

The most difficult part of worship is:

- Glorifying the absolute holiness of God.
- Centering my heart totally on God.
- Being distracted by lesser things.
- Serving God in absolute obedience.

I have accepted cleaning by the blood of Jesus Christ through His blood.

What has God shown you through this study?

What will you do to adjust your life to God’s will for you?

Memory verse: John 1:12 (HCSB) “But to all who did receive Him He gave them the right to be children of God, to those who believe in His name.”