# Kyle's Korner

#### WHAT IS WORSHIP? (Part 1)

The first time the word "worship" is used in Scripture, Abraham, when tested to sacrifice his son, tells his young men that he and the lad "will go yonder and worship," adding that they will soon be back. (Genesis 22:5) Though this is the first time this word is used, it is not the first occasion of worship in Scripture. The first instance of worship is found in the sacrifices of Cain and Abel. (Genesis 4) Both of their sacrifices were forms of worship; however, only Abel's was accepted by God. It is said of Abel that he, by faith, "offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous". (Hebrews 11:4)

So, back to our question: "What is worship?" Oxford Languages defines worship as: (n) "the feeling or expression of reverence and adoration for a deity" and (v) "show reverence and adoration for (a deity); honor with religious rites." We direct our worship toward God. However, worship can be directed in other ways. Using this definition, anything or anyone to whom we express "reverence and adoration" for, this would constitute worship. We can worship celebrities. In the Old Testament they worshipped idols; although, I don't see us expressing such reverence to objects, except in religions such as Buddhism.

For us, as Christians, what is worship to us? Can we worship God privately? Yes we can - that is, if we apply this definition in a general sense. The Bible, however, also gives us examples of corporate worship - a group of individuals assembled in a specified location at a specified time with the common purpose of expressing "reverence and adoration" to God. God has told us what is acceptable to Him for worship. As Christians, those of us who seek to honor him properly follow His instructions. As was the case with Cain, we know that our worship can be rejected if not according to His will.

## THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

| Week of                      | July 23    | July 30      |  |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|--|
| SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY           |            |              |  |
| DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER          | Kyle Webb  | Joe Geren    |  |
| ADULT CLASS<br>TEACHER       | Kirk Mason | Kirk Mason   |  |
| SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP       |            |              |  |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER       | Kirk Mason | Joe Geren    |  |
| SONG LEADER                  | Kyle Webb  | Kirk Mason   |  |
| SCRIPTURE READING            | Joe Geren  | Joe Geren    |  |
| SERMON                       | Kyle Webb  | Kyle Webb    |  |
| LORD'S SUPPER & CONTRIBUTION | Kirk Mason | Kyle Webb    |  |
| PRAYER                       | Joe Geren  | Jerry Dunlap |  |

Please, submit announcements and/or prayer requests for addition to the bulletin to...

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Current Office Hours: (Subject to Change)
Thursdays - 10am-2pm

### **ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURES**

Tuesdays @ 11am & 11pm
The Gospel Radio Network - www.TGRN.org

## MARS HILL CHURCH OF CHRIST on...

WEB: www.MarsHillCoC.org

FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE: @MarsHillChurchChristiana

"...in the midst of Mars' hill..." The Lord's Day July 23, 2023 Mars Hill CHURCH OF CHRIST 1135 Rucker Road, Christiana, TN 37037 (615) 203-3637 www.MarsHillCoc.org MINISTER: KYLE WEBB Sunday Bible Study - gam Sunday Worship - 10am Faithfully Serving Jesus Christ Since 1852 "... Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"

Luke 18:8, NKIV

## Welcome Visitors... Make yourselves at home!

We would appreciate you filling out a Visitors card (back of the pew in front of you) for our records. You may drop it in the collection basket or give it to one of our members. Please, visit with us anytime you have the opportunity, and let us know if there is any way we may assist you.

## PRAYER LIST

**MH MEMBERS:** 

Cindy Mason

**FAMILY & FRIENDS:** 

Richard Walsh

(Marissa's grandfather)

John Smith

(Shirley's brother-in-law)

Clem Torrejon

(Shirley's husband)

David Young

Bob & Mary Sue Young

**Eric Covington** 

(Larry & Vicki's son)

Janet Covington

(Larry C's mother)

Gage Hofecker

(Marissa's brother - Military)

Bob & Amelia Hayes

Anne Underbill

Addie Bain (Crissy's L.'s

mother)

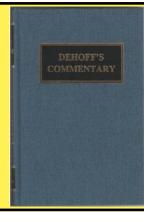
Crissy Singer

Fonda Grogan

Updates and further information provided in announcements.

## **WHAT'S IN OUR LIBRARY???**

If you are looking for the meaning of a particular Bible passage, we have several commentaries available from some great Bible scholars and writers, including: George DeHoff, Jim Sheerer, Adam Clarke, Matthew Henry and others. Feel free to use them!



# <u>Calendar of</u> Events



28 Friday Night Singing @ Center Chapel
Church of Christ in Mt. Juliet

**August** 

12 Men's Seminar @ East Main Church of Christ in Murfreesboro

Looking Forward...

AUG. 18 MARS HILL'S AREA-WIDE SINGING

SEPT. 10 MARS HILL'S HOMECOMING



# MIDDLE TN SCHOOL OF PREACHING AND BIBLICAL STUDIES @ MARS HILL

A Between Semesters Study

**CREATION AND EVOLUTION** 

Teacher: Kyle Webb 7pm | Tuesdays, through AUGUST 15

7/25 - IS GOD IMPORTANT?

**JULY BIRTHDAYS** 

7/30 SARAH JOHNSON

# **SERMON NOTES**

## PERSISTANCE IN PRAYER

Scripture Reading: Luke 11:9-13

THE PRIESTS AT MIDNICHT (Tyles 11.6.17)

| ≖. |   | THE PHILIP AT MIDWIGHT (Duke 11.0-10)          |  |  |
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|    | ✓ | The one who came to the man in the story was a |  |  |
|    |   | (Luke 11:5)                                    |  |  |
|    |   | A. Stranger B. Friend C. Brother               |  |  |
|    | ✓ | At what time of day did this one come?         |  |  |
|    | ✓ | What did this one ask for?                     |  |  |
|    | ✓ | The man in the story gave to this one what he  |  |  |
|    |   | asked for, but why?                            |  |  |
|    |   |  |  |  |
|    | ✓ | What is the moral of this story?               |  |  |
|    |   |  |  |  |
| 2. |   | THE PERSISTENT WIDOW (Luke 18:1-8)             |  |  |
|    | ✓ | TRUE OR FALS? The judge was immediately        |  |  |
|    |   | eager to give the widow justice.               |  |  |
|    | ✓ | Why did the judge avenge the widow?            |  |  |
|    |   |  |  |  |
|    | ✓ | What is the moral of this story?               |  |  |
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