

HOW DOES PERSONAL WORSHIP START?

- 1) The reality there is a **God**.
- 2) It is His **kindness** that leads us to Him.
- 3) Linked with kindness is a _____ of sin

Romans 2:4 Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can't you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?

Mark 2:17 When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners."

- The _____ of your realization of how deep your sin goes will be the depths of your _____ experience.

THE WOMEN WHO WORSHIPED JESUS EXTRAVAGANTLY

Luke 7:36-39 ³⁶One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to have dinner with him, so Jesus went to his home and sat down to eat. ³⁷When a certain immoral woman from that city heard he was eating there, she brought a beautiful alabaster jar filled with expensive perfume. ³⁸Then she knelt behind him at his feet, weeping. Her tears fell on his feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing his feet and putting perfume on them. ³⁹When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. She's a sinner!"

- Why did she weep?
 - She saw the depths of her sin and how Jesus loved her and forgave her in spite of it.
 - She tasted the goodness of God through Christ.

WHAT DID YOU LEAVE FROM THE STORY OF THE 50 PIECES AND 500 PIECES OF SILVER? [See Luke 7:39-48]

HOW DO I VISIT THE DEPTHS OF MY SIN?

- Don't **minimize**
- Don't **point fingers**
- Take **ownership**
- Recognize the hurt sin causes
- Recognize it put _____ on the cross
- Recognize sin **destroys** you
- Recognize the penalty is just not _____

DON'T STAY THERE. (PREACH THE GOSPEL TO YOURSELF EVERY DAY.)

- While I was His **enemy**, Christ died for me.
- He **accepts** me in Christ.
- He came to **save** me, not **condemn** me.
- It's free in faith.
- It's not my **effort** but **His**.

WE WANT TO SPEND TIME WITH HIM.

Psalm 63:1-3 ¹O God, you are my God; I earnestly search for you. My soul thirsts for you; my whole body longs for you in this parched and weary land where there is no water. ²I have seen you in your sanctuary and gazed upon your power and glory. ³Your unfailing love is better than life itself; how I praise you!

- We want to **know Him**.
 - We want to **spend time** with Him.
 - We start to love what He loves.
 - We start to become like Him.
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HOW DOES PERSONAL WORSHIP PLAY OUT IN OUR LIVES?

- Through serving
- Through song
- Through loving others
- Through prayer and crying out to Him
- Through getting into His word
- Through sacrifice and generosity
- Being filled with thankfulness and gratitude
- Enjoying His blessings and giving Him the glory for them
- Enjoying Him
- Do everything as if you were doing it for the Lord

Colossians 3:23 Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.

WHICH WAYS OF PERSONAL WORSHIP STOOD OUT TO YOU?

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you in this week's message and why?
2. What would it look like for you to preach the gospel to yourself every day, and why do you think that is so important?
3. What did you learn about Personal Worship in the story of the immoral woman pouring out a year's wages of perfume?
4. What did you learn about the importance of realizing the depths of your sin and how that plays into worship?
5. After hearing this message on Personal Worship, what are some things you have learned that you want to bring into your time with God?

Next week: Called Out to Worship in Real Life (Week 3): Corporate Worship

Passages to prepare: Hebrews 10:19-25; Colossians 3:16-17; Psalm 150