

The Maintenance of Divine Worship

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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- How would you define “worship”? What examples can you give to illustrate your definition?
- *Read John 4:4–26.* How would you describe and summarize this conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan woman?
- What are some possible reasons why the woman changes the conversation from her personal life to a religious controversy?
- What does Jesus reveal about his identity and his ministry?
- How are the thirst of the woman, the living water of Jesus, and the worship of God all connected?
- What does worship “in spirit and truth” mean? What would that be like in practice? What helps you to worship in spirit and truth?
- What prevents people from being “true worshipers” even today? How can the Church help people become “true worshipers”?
- Why is “the maintenance of divine worship” considered one of the great purposes or ends of the Church? What is gained from pursuing this aim? What’s lost if we do not?
- Where does our church do well in maintaining divine worship? Where might we improve? How can you be a part of that?
- When and how will you worship in spirit and truth this month? What will you do and with whom? How can your small group or others support and pray for you as you do this?