



Group Discussion and Application

1. What do you appreciate most about our worship at Grace Fellowship?
2. How can a church maintain a unity of spirit in worship in view of the many different personal tastes represented in a congregation?
3. What does distinctive “church culture” look like?
4. What elements of the culture around us have been absorbed into church worship in our day?
5. In planning worship, what criteria should be used to preserve the best of the old, integrate the best of the new, and maintain a distinctive church culture that does not succumb to the worldly culture around us?
6. What elements are essential for Biblical NT corporate worship?
7. How can you tell the difference between obedience that is prompted by a heart of faith, and obedience that is merely external compliance to rules?
8. How can the “trappings” of worship hinder worship? Assist worship?
9. What experiences have you had in corporate worship without all the nice externals? What lessons did you learn from these experiences?



Personal Reflection and Response

1. Which of the heart attitudes examined in this study is most needed in your own worship?
2. What specific action will you take to strengthen this heart attitude?
3. Assignment: Research the *regulative* and *normative* principles of worship.



Family Homework

1. Make a list of your favorite songs for worship. What does each one teach us?
2. Work together as a family to design a family worship service. Conduct this service some time during the week.



A Theology of Worship (iii)

Ezra 3:1-6

The Jews returning to the Promised Land following the Babylonian captivity display the heart that is required for worship.

1

True worship requires a _____ heart.

2

True worship requires a _____ heart.

3

True worship requires a _____ heart.

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True worship requires a _____ heart.