

A LIFE OF WORSHIP

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The enemy that needs attacking more than any other enemy in our lives is self-centeredness.

Question for the Day:

*Give unto the LORD, O you mighty ones,
Give unto the LORD glory and strength.
Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name;
Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.*
Psalm 29:1-2

Three Kinds of Lives

Life #1: A life that doesn't include worship

Life #2: A life that practices wrong worship

God said, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them..." **Exodus 20:1-4**

- The god of money
- The god of popularity
- The god of sex
- The god of chemicals
- The god of power

God said, "I hate all your show and pretense – the hypocrisy of your religious festivals and solemn assemblies. I will not accept your burnt offerings and grain offerings. I won't even notice all your choice peace offerings. Away with your hymns of praise! They are only noise to my ears. I will not listen to your music, no matter how lovely it is. Instead, I want to see a mighty flood of justice, a river of righteous living that will never run dry." Amos 5:21-24

"When you give blind animals as sacrifices, isn't that wrong? And isn't it wrong to offer animals that are crippled and diseased? Try giving gifts like that to your governor, and see how pleased he is!" says the Lord Almighty. Malachi 1:8

"I wish that someone among you would shut the Temple doors so that these worthless sacrifices could not be offered! I am not pleased with you," says the Lord Almighty, "I will not accept your offerings." Malachi 1:10

Life #3: A life consisting of true worship

*"Come, let us worship and bow down.
Let us kneel before the Lord our maker, for he is our God.
We are the people he watches over, the sheep under his care.
If only you would listen to his voice today!"
Psalm 95:6-7*

Ultimate Question:

Does my life so fully reflect God's glory, such that when people see me or talk to me, they see and hear Jesus from me?