

LESSON 2 // REAL WORSHIP

Big Idea: Worship is all about a heart connection with the Lord. When God has our heart, He has us.

Real worship, based on the truth of God's Word, requires a heart that is open, humble, child-like, surrendered to the heavenly Father, forgiven and forgiving.

John 4:23, 24 (NLT) But the time is coming—indeed it's here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.

Start Talking:

What does it mean to "worship"? What role does worship play in your relationship with God?

Start Thinking:

Read Psalm 139:23-24. Why is it so important to have an open heart toward God? How does this impact our worship of Him?

Read Isaiah 57:15 and James 4:6. How does pride inhibit true worship?

Read 1 Samuel 15:22-23. What do these verses tell you about the value of obedience and submission in your worship?

Read Matthew 5:23-24. How does forgiving others clear the way for real worship? What happens to your worship if you hold on to unforgiveness against someone?

Start Praying:

Pray for God to open and soften your heart toward Him so that you can grow deeper in your worship of Him.

Start Doing:

Spend time this week cultivating an attitude of surrender and humility as you worship the Lord. Believe that He will work in you in a fresh way as you yield more of your heart to Him!