

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FROM JUNE 29/30 SERMON

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- 1. How would you define worship?
- 2. What are things you do or see that make you marvel at the greatness of God?
- 3. Read Packer's quote below. Do you agree with Packer's statement about the state of worship? Why or why not?

The Christian's instincts of trust and worship are stimulated very powerfully by the knowledge of the greatness of God.

But this is knowledge which Christians today largely lack: and that is the reason why our faith is so feeble and our worship so flabby. We are modern people, and modern people, though they cherish great thoughts of themselves, have as a rule small thoughts of God.

-J. I. Packer, Knowing God, 83

- 4. Compare and contrast Mark 12:29-30 where Jesus describes all-encompassing love for God, and Matthew 23:27-28 where Jesus addresses the religious leaders. Discuss the difference between outward show and true worship that comes from within.
- 5. Read Nehemiah 12:27. What three components of worship do you find in this verse?
- 6. Read the following passages and spend time discussing (celebrating) the great work that God has done in your life (1 Cor. 6:9-11; Eph. 2:4-5; 1 Pet. 2:9-10; Rom. 4:7-8, 5:15-16, 8:31-39; Titus 3:4-7; Ps. 73:23-26).
- 7. Sometimes, our worship becomes flabby and stale. We focus on our personal circumstances and the world around us. We can become discouraged and disillusioned. We need to get our eyes back on the Person of God. Take the time to read and discuss <a href="Isaiah 40">Isaiah 40</a>. This passage reminds us of the greatness of God and causes us to focus on his majesty. This passage reminds us to "Behold your God!"

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