2025 SUMMER SERIES - REAL

REAL WORSHIP PUTS GOD FIRST

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James 4:3 (NASB)

You ask and do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures.

James 4:4-6 (NASB)

You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose: "He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"? But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, "GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE."

Throughout the Bible, God describes His people as <u>HIS BRIDE</u>.

Ephesians 5:25-27 (NASB)

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless.

We're not just His followers—we're **GREATLY LOVED!**

<u>Take a moment and ask God</u>: "God, is there anything I've been putting before You?"



TEACHING NOTE

James 4:7-8 (NASB)

Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

The only way to **RESIST** is to **SUBMIT!**

Psalm 145:18 (NLT)

The LORD is close to all who call on Him, yes, to all who call on Him in truth.

Don't just come close—COME CLEAN. God meets you there!

James 4:9-10 (NASB)

Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.

This isn't about living in shame, it's about being truly broken over <u>OUR SIN</u>.

Matthew 23:12 (NASB)

"Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted."

NEXT WEEK: REAL FAITH TRUSTS GOD'S WILL

We're so glad you joined us. If you would like more information about God, Jesus and the Bible, please talk with any of our church leaders. Thank you for joining us!