



## Psalms For Life

### **Sermon: O Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down** (Psalm 95)

Why is worship central to our faith?

When worship is not the priority, God is not the priority.

The first four commandments are about worship!

#### **Exodus 20:2-11**

2 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

3 "You shall have no other gods before me.

4 "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. 5 You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, 6 but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

7 "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

#### **Psalm 95**

1 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

## I. Let Us Sing

2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

## II. Let Us Come into His Presence

Be PRESENT, Come THANKFUL, Come LOUD, Come PROUD & Come JOYFUL

3 For the LORD is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.  
4 In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.  
5 The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands formed the dry land.  
6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!  
7 For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.

## III. Let Us Worship & Bow Down

Let Us Kneel Before the Lord, Our Maker

How you spend your time and money are in direct correlation to what or who you worship.

Today, if you hear his voice,  
8 do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,  
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,  
9 when your fathers put me to the test  
and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.  
10 For forty years I loathed that generation  
and said, "They are a people who go astray in their heart,  
and they have not known my ways."  
11 Therefore I swore in my wrath,  
"They shall not enter my rest."

## IV. Let Us Not Harden Our Hearts

## V. Let Us Enter His Rest

The Lord is our Resting Place. (**Hebrews 3**)

Worship is *essential* to our obedience and faith. When we worship the Lord, when we bow down before Him, we are positioning ourselves to enter His rest!

## Life Application Questions

1. Define worship. Acts of worship.
2. How often do you worship?
3. How you spend your time and money are an indication of what and/or who you worship! What do you worship? Who do you worship?
4. Do you sing as you worship? Do you bow/kneel as you worship? Can there be a posture of bowing and kneeling that is figurative? Can a person physically bow and kneel and not have their heart turned toward the Lord in worship?
5. Faith and obedience go hand in hand as do “Trust and Obey!” How do these words influence and shape your worship?
6. Spend time in worship. Listen and sing along with a worship song!
7. Pray asking the Lord to forgive sin and hardness of heart. As you pray, seek to hear from the Lord!