

**His \_\_\_\_\_ is our \_\_\_\_\_.**

Psalm 95:1-2

<sup>1</sup> Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! <sup>2</sup> Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

*"That is how Christianity conquered the ancient world. It was this amazing joy of these people. Even when you threw them into prison, or even to death, it did not matter, they went on rejoicing; rejoicing in tribulation." - Martyn Lloyd Jones*

1. Worship Is... \_\_\_\_\_ on and \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
2. Worship Is... Done in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Worship Is... Expected both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Worship Is... a Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ to be \_\_\_\_\_.

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Matthew 28:19-20

<sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

*"When will the concept of unreached peoples become intolerable to the church? What will it take to wake us up to the dearth of the gospel among the peoples of the world?" - David Platt*

1. Witness Includes \_\_\_\_\_ Living.
2. Witness Includes All of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Witness Requires \_\_\_\_\_ as well as \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Witness is \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Witness is \_\_\_\_\_.

**This is \_\_\_\_\_ the church is and therefore \_\_\_\_\_ the church does.**

Revelation 19:7

<sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready;

*"How rare is it to meet with a man that smarts or bleeds with the Church's wounds, or sensibly takes them to heart as his own." - Richard Baxter*

- THE UNCOMFORTABLE FUNCTION OF THE CHURCH IS TO BE A CATALYST OF WORSHIP, AND A CONSTANT WITNESS TO A WATCHING WORLD.

## Group Questions

1. Describe what it means to “worship God in vain.” (See [Matthew 15:8–9](#).)
  - a. What does [John 4:23–24](#) reveal about how God desires His people to worship?
2. What do the following passages reveal about worship: [John 20:28](#); [Revelation 4:8, 5:12–13](#)?
  - a. What is the difference between worshiping God as He is revealed in the Bible and worshiping Him as you might want Him to be?
  - b. When you don’t have the “feelings of worship,” does that mean you should stop engaging in forms of worship? Why, or why not?
  - c. Can you identify with the quote: “He worships his work, works at his play, and plays at his worship”? If so, which part(s) do you identify with? Be honest. How might your view of worship be improved?
  - d. What steps can you take this week to improve your private worship? Your public worship?
3. What images do the words *evangelism* and *witness* bring to mind?
  - a. What do the following verses reveal about evangelism and us being His witnesses? [Lk 24.27](#); [Jhn 20.21](#).
  - b. According to [Jhn 9](#) what is striking to you about his words to the pharisees?
  - c. According to [Jhn 9](#) when should we witness?
4. Researcher George Barna says that most Christians who witness to others come away feeling like failures. So, since they don’t like to fail, they redirect their efforts into spiritual activities in which they are more likely to be satisfied and successful. Have you found this to be true? Why, or why not?
  - a. Have you ever been afraid to share Christ? If so, when? Why were you afraid?
  - b. With which evangelistic approach(es) are you most comfortable? Which ones intimidate you? Be honest.
  - c. Write down the names of two people with whom you want to share Christ soon, perhaps even this week. What loving, sensitive steps are you willing to take in order to seek ways of intentionally sharing Christ with them? A lunch meeting? A home meeting? Other?