

# Worship Is A Win-Win

## John 4

# Our Opening Question?

- **What Is  
Worship?**



# A Description Of Biblical Worship

- **Worship** is an active response to the character, words and actions of God, initiated by His revelation and enabled by His redemption, whereby the mind is transformed (e.g. belief, repentance), the heart is renewed (e.g. love, trust), and actions are surrendered (e.g. obedience, service), all in accordance with His will and in order to declare His infinite worthiness.

**The Hebrew word translated as worship is *shā-ḥâ* and was used in association with sacrifice. *Shā-ḥâ* has several applications:**

**§ To Bow**

**§§ To Lay Prostrate**

**§§§ To Fall Down In Fear**

**§ To Kneel In Respect**

**But the main idea is a spontaneous, involuntary reaction, in reverence to God. The most common reaction was prostration.**

**Prostration  
represents the  
powerlessness of the  
worshiper, who lies  
prone before the One  
possessing power  
and authority.**

# WORSHIP

- Worship is assumed to be an automatic, spontaneous reaction to God's sovereignty, holiness, being, character and nature. The first time the word "worship" is found in the Bible is in Genesis 22:5

*Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and **worship** and come again to you."*



# Ancient Hebrew Understanding Of Worship

- Body Language
  - that demonstrates respect and submission; to bow down, to kneel, to prostrate oneself.



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# Ancient Hebrew Understanding Of Worship

- Service/Serving
- doing something for God that demonstrates sacrifice and obedience; to offer, to serve.
  - 1 Corinthians 10:31; John 4:23-24



# Discussion Questions On God Desires Your Worship

- How did she view Jesus? (p.14)
- What clouds our vision?
- Who do we overlook?



# True Servants

- **Worn-out Knees**
- **Dusty Shoes**
- **Rolled Up Sleeves**
- **Open Hands**
- **Outstretched Arms**



# NEW TESTAMENT REFERENCE

The last time the word “worship” is found in the Bible is in Revelation 22:8–9

*<sup>8</sup> I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to **worship** at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, <sup>9</sup> but he said to me, “You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. **Worship** God” (ESV).*

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