



Worship is our **response** to who God is and then to what He has done expressed in and by the words we say and the way we live.

Psalm 95:6-7

If we are going to make disciples, going to move people to life in Christ one step at a time together, we must **worship Jesus** together.

Psalm 96 / 1 Chronicles 16

God tells us to worship Him not because He is **needy**, but because He knows we are: we need Him. God is the only Being in the universe whose greatest gift to us is **Himself**.

We cannot follow what we are not focused on, but we will **become like** what we are focused on.

Psalm 115:1-9

God wants us to worship Jesus, to maintain our focus on Him, because in doing so we will naturally **emulate** the characteristics we see in Him and in the truth He teaches.

(Romans 8:29; Luke 14:25-33); **Colossians 3:1-4**

Your **effectiveness** for the Kingdom of God will be directly proportional to your worship of Jesus.

We cannot be **Christians** without being disciples and we cannot be disciples without being **worshippers** of Jesus.

As a Christian, every one of us has just two callings:

- The secondary calling is to the things you **do** in life for Jesus. (Ephesians 2:8-10)
- Our primary calling is not **for** Jesus but **to** Jesus.

The reason so many are living **ineffective** lives is because we have made primary what we do for Christ and have made secondary the calling to just be His.

Luke 10:17, 20, (Luke 10:38-42; Revelation 2:1-7)

We keep our callings in the right order and thereby live worshipping Jesus when the “what I do” part of worship is an **overflow** of the “where I’m focused” part of worship.

John 4:19-24

You can be in the right place at the right time and not worship. Worship that God wants is dependent on **spirit** and **truth**.

- Spirit – worship is for **disciples**, in as much as a church service is about corporate worship, it is not for the **lost**.
- Truth – expression of that worship must be true in its **declaration** doctrinally, theologically, biblically but also must be true in **us**.

Mark 12:30

Anything less than in spirit and truth and there is no **worship**.

Matthew 15:8-9

The value of the corporate worship in the service is **defined** by the integrity of the personal worship. The personal worship in the week is **empowered** by the corporate worship in the service.

If Fairway is going to move people to life in Christ one step at a time together, that begins by giving consistent **opportunity** to worship Jesus together.

Corporate worship as the church of God is not an option, it is a **necessity**. (Exodus 20:8)

Romans 12:1

If everyone at Fairway worshipped – participated, **responded** – like you, would Jesus be more or less **exalted**?

Worshipping Jesus is the absolutely non-negotiable first step in a disciple’s life. It is not a step that is finished and moved on from, it is the **foundation** of life in Christ.

Vision Summary: we will be a church that **worships Jesus** so that we make disciples who worship Jesus.