



January 25th
"Dude, Where's My Church?"
"Worship Time"

Big Idea: Worship is all about God, not about me.

Open it: What are some of the most unusual or funny things you have seen happen in a worship service?

For over two thousand years on every Sunday Christians have met all over the world for times of worship. These times have been the source of great joy but they have also been a source of confusion and frustration. What is Worship? What is our role in it? This lesson will challenge us with very basic principles that hopefully have a strong impact on you and your "Worship Time."

Dig it:

1. Read Romans 12:1-2. What is our "act of worship?" What does it mean to "offer our bodies as living sacrifices?" How does that definition of worship challenge you? Our Big Idea says, worship is about God, not about me. How does this verse affirm that?
2. We also talked this week about being prepared for worship. How does being a "living sacrifice" affirm that?
3. Read Hebrews 12:22-29. What are some of the descriptions used in this passage to describe our encounter with God? How can this be a "joyful assembly," an assembly where we approach Him with confidence and also be a place of reverence and awe?
4. Read Psalm 73:14-17, 26-28. In verse 17 the psalmist indicates there was something significant that happened in the "sanctuary of God." Has any thing significant happened to you in the Assembly of God?

Reflect on it:

1. How do you prepare to Worship God? Compare that to how you prepare for other meetings you might have?
2. What are some of the obstacles in the way of being prepared to worship?
3. How easy is it for you to be an observer and critic in worship? Comment on this statement: What we "get" from worship is tied directly to what we "bring" to it.
4. When you worship God together in the church do you expect God to move or change you? What do you expect

Do it:

1. Decide some practical things you can do to be a worshiper who is offering a sacrifice?
2. Pray as a group that God will transform us as we worship. Pray that he will transform Heartlands as we worship.

