

SERMON OUTLINE

Market Street Church of Christ • 3745 Market St. NE, Salem, OR 97301 • (503) 362-5634

The Heart of a Worshiper

May 17, 2009

I. Introduction

- A. We're here to worship God - **John 4:23** - in spirit and truth.
- B. How are we expressing our honor and respect for God?

II. True Worshipers

A. Place Their Confidence in Christ

- 1. **John 4:20-24**: Her question: The **location** of worship
 - a. Respecting **HOW** the one we're honoring wants it done
 - b. This woman's question: **WHERE** is the **RIGHT** place?
 - c. **ANSWER**: There is **MORE** to worship than this
- 2. **Romans 2:17-20**: Confidence in **OUTWARD** things
 - a. Honoring God? – **Romans 2:24** - God is blasphemed
 - b. **Romans 2:28-29** - True honor comes from the heart
- 3. **Philippians 3:3**: Worship in spirit & no confid. in the flesh.
 - a. **Philippians 3:5-6**: Various areas of confidence but it is all garbage (**Phil 3:7-8**)
- 4. **Application**: Our honor can merely consist of **OUTWARD**

B. Are Transformed in Their Lives

- 1. **2 Corinthians 3:15-18**: When Jesus is our focus: Our lives - transformed
 - a. Ever wonder why 4 gospels? **John 21:25** – selective.
 - b. **SEE** Jesus and have **WHO HE IS** change our lives!!!
- 2. **Galatians 5:25**: "If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit." If the Spirit is in me it will change the way I live.
- 3. **Application**: Bridging the gap between **INWARD** desire and **OUTWARD** action?
 - a. Don't make the **OUTWARD** the focus
 - b. **Romans 8:31** - If God is for us, who can be against us?
 - c. Plan to do God's will - **James 4:13** - today, tomorrow...

C. Hold to the Truth From God

- 1. **John 4:24** - spirit & truth (**BOTH**)
- 2. **Ephesians 5:7-10**: Seeking is result of **INWARD** commitment.
- 3. **Joshua 24:14**: We must worship in sincerity and truth.
- 4. **Application**: Honoring God = seeking the truth