

That Which Cost Me Nothing
Worship The King – Part 6
December 26, 2021
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Memory Verse: *"You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him."*
Mathew 4:10b (p.735)

- I Am A Worshipper Created To Worship The King.

Worship: Worship is what I do with my life, all the time.

"And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him." Romans 12:1 (p.866)

2 Samuel 24:18–25 (p.256)

*"Go up and build an altar to the LORD on the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite
'Take it, my lord the king, and use it as you wish...I will give it all to you...'"*
2 Samuel 24:18-23 (p.256)

*"No, I insist on buying it, for I will not present burnt offerings to the LORD my God that
have cost me nothing."* 2 Samuel 24:24 (p.256)

1. Worship God with nothing less than my very best.
2. Worship God regardless of the cost, gain, or loss.

My Next Step This Week: _____ I will not offer to God that which cost me nothing. I will worship Him with nothing less than my very best. I will worship God regardless of the cost, gain, or loss.

"The sacrifice you desire is a broken spirit. You will not reject a broken and repentant heart, O God."
Psalm 51:17 (p.436)



Discussion/Groups Guide

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ONE VOICE

"That Which Cost Me Nothing"

Life Groups are on break right now. We start up again the week of January 16, 2022. This guide is also great for discussions with your family and friends.

Find out more about Groups (in person and online) at alivechurch.com/groups.

Conversation Starters

- In what way(s) do you like to worship God?
- Do have a memory for a worship time that really stands out for you? What made it special?
- Scenario 1: Have you ever given someone a gift that you had nothing to do with picking out or paying for?
- Scenario 2: Compare that with a gift that a child gives a parent that he made by himself (think, for example, handmade Father's Day neckties or handpicked flowers for Mom).
 - What makes the two scenarios different?

Quick Review

Looking back at your Talk Notes, was there anything you heard in the service that stood out to you, challenged you, or maybe even confused you?

Discussion Starters from the Weekend Talk

Refer to the Talk Notes and Bible verses from the Talk Notes.

This week's One Thing: The key principle that Pastor Jeff Love challenges us with is:

I Am A Worshipper Created To Worship The King.

Series Memory Verse: Matthew 4:10 (p.735)

Background: 2 Samuel 24:18-25 (p.256). See also Romans 12:1 (p.866) and Psalm 51:17 (p.436)

- What stands out to you from these passages? How does each one address worship?
- Write down words related to worship you see in them.
- Jeff gave us a definition of the action worship should provoke in our lives when he said: *Worship: What I do with my life, all the time.*
 - What do you think about this statement? Have you ever thought about worship as a lifestyle?

Jeff encouraged us to ...

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- When have you been guilty of not giving your best effort? Perhaps at work? School? On a team? With your family?
 - What consequences occurred as a result?
- See also Malachi 1:6-14 (p.726).
 - What do we learn about offerings made to God in this passage?
 - How does this relate to our worship?

2. Worship God regardless of the cost, gain, or loss.

- When has worshipping God cost you something?
- In many places around the world, the persecuted church is growing. How would your worship hold up if you were faced with persecution?
- See Philippians 1:20-22 (p.898).
 - What would help you have the same outlook of Paul in this passage?
 - How would such an attitude affect your life and the lives of those around you?

Digging Deeper

We are not called to be hermits but to be part of God's Church.

- Read Hebrews 10:23-24 (p.926) and reflect on how we can aspire as individuals to build up each other and build the church. Perhaps consider how you can help grow the church at Alive by being part of a team serving others. It could be serving the children, youth, parents, older people, perhaps setting up for services, working behind the scenes on the technical side, or making coffee. There are many jobs that all assist the furthering God's Kingdom here in Tucson and worldwide.
- What will you do in 2022?

Finally in your reflections re-read **Our Mission and Our Vision**

<https://alivechurch.com/about/>

- It says OUR!
- As we are just days from a New Year, ask God what he wants you to do next year to further his Kingdom. What will you do in 2022? Because, as we say in one of our Alvie Church catchphrases: *Everyone spends eternity somewhere!*

Next Step

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