

“Is How We Worship Important to God?”

John 4:19-24

Introduction

- I. There are many different ideas that mankind has espoused when it comes to worshipping God.
- II. In the end, does God really care how we worship Him?
- III. The Bible clearly shows that God has always cared about how man engages in worship.

Discussion

- I. The Patriarchal Age
 - A. The patriarchs, or male leaders of a family, led the family worship to God (Gen. 12:7, 18; 22:5-14; Job 1:5).
 - B. This involved the building of altars and the sacrificing of animals (Gen. 8:20-21).
 - C. When done properly, God was pleased and accepted their worship.
- II. The Mosaic Age
 - A. The law required the service of the Levitical priesthood for worship (Deut. 18:1-7).
 - B. The Levitical priests were only allowed to offer worship as prescribed by God (Lev. 9:5-7; 10:1-7).
 - C. When done properly, God was pleased and accepted their worship.
- III. The Christian Age
 - A. Every Christian is to worship God (1 Pet. 2:5, 9; Rev. 1:6).
 - B. God has prescribed certain acts that are allowed in worship today (John 4:19-24; Col. 3:17).
 1. Studying the Word of God/the Bible (Acts 20:7, 27).
 2. Singing (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16).
 3. Praying (1 Thess. 5:17; Rom. 12:12).
 4. Giving (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7).
 5. The Lord's Supper (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:23-29).
 - C. When done properly, God is pleased and accepts worship.

Conclusion

- I. So, is how we worship important to God?
- II. We must remember that worship is to God, and must please God!