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LESSON 61: THE WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH – LITURGY

Main Point: *Since the church is redeemed to worship and gathers for the purpose of worship, we must order our gathering in such a way that purifies and amplifies worship.*

I. Worship

- A. The cosmos was created to worship (Psalm 8; Psalm 19).
- B. Sin is a departure from true worship (Romans 1:18-23; Psalm 106:20; Jeremiah 2:11; Deuteronomy 4:16-18; Acts 17:29).
- C. Salvation is a restoration to true worship (John 14:6; Ephesians 1:13; Colossians 1:5; James 1:18; 2 Timothy 2:15; John 3:6).
- D. The church was created to worship (Ephesians 1:14)

II. Liturgy - The Order of Our Worship

What makes our Liturgy Distinctively Christian?

- 1. The People of God (Matt 15:8-9; Matt 4:8-10; Mark 12:30;)
- 2. Christ-Centered (2 Corinthians 4:6; John 14:9; John 15:26-27; 16:14-15; John 5:39)
- 3. Biblical (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- 4. Empowered by the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:17; Ephesians 4:1-6; 2:22; 3:16-17; Romans 15:14-21; John 16:13).
 - A. What does the bible say should be in our Liturgy?
 - 1. Public Reading of God's Word
 - 2. Prayer (1 Tim. 2:1-2, 8)
 - 3. Singing (Eph 5:18-19, Col. 3:16; 1 Corinthians 14:26)
 - 4. Preaching (1 Tim. 3:15, 4:14)
 - 5. Giving (Gal. 6:6)
 - 6. Baptism & Lord's Supper (Matt. 28:19, 1 Cor. 11:17-34)
 - 7. Fellowship (Ephesians 4:11-16; Heb

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III. Implications

The Gospel Takes Priority Over Style ...

1. For the Glory of God
2. And the good of the people