

# Maturing Faith: Worship

*"The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous and His ears toward their cry."*

*Psalm 34:15 (English Standard Version)*

Does it really \_\_\_\_\_ how we \_\_\_\_\_ God?

## Some Have Had A Faulty Approach To Worship

A. Examples in the Bible of faulty approaches to worship:

1. Isaiah 1:13-15 - God could not \_\_\_\_\_ their assemblies because their \_\_\_\_\_ were full of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Acts 14:15 - These were ready to worship \_\_\_\_\_ things instead of the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. John 4:19-24 - The Samaritans didn't \_\_\_\_\_ what they worshiped. God is looking for \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Matthew 15:7-9 - They were \_\_\_\_\_ because they followed \_\_\_\_\_'s commandments.

## Vital Concepts For Maturing Our Worship

A. **Mature worship is personal:**

1. Psalm 27:7,8 - God told David to \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Psalm 24:3-6 - Those who ascend the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the God of Jacob.
3. James 4:8 - Worship is our time to \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

B. **Mature worship springs from right living:**

1. Psalm 24:4,5 - \_\_\_\_\_ hands and a \_\_\_\_\_ heart are vital.
2. Psalm 34:15,16 - The ears of the Lord are \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_; not so toward the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Matthew 15:7-9 - Can we \_\_\_\_\_ God with our \_\_\_\_\_ only?

C. **Mature worship springs from God's instructions:**

1. Psalm 24 - \_\_\_\_\_ should direct us if we're climbing His \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Malachi 1:10 - If people aren't heeding His will, He would prefer that the \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Matthew 7:21 - Those who \_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_ will enter the \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven.
4. If we're approaching the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, shouldn't we \_\_\_\_\_ to Him?!

Some get a \_\_\_\_\_ without getting an \_\_\_\_\_.

Do we attend \_\_\_\_\_ without drawing \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_?

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