

40 Days of Prayer
“Worship Now”
John 4:1-26
January 28, 2024

“Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.”
- John 4:23

Sermon Points:

1. Authentic Worship

- a. Authentic worship is in **truth and spirit** (John 4:23).
- b. Authentic worship is truth because Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6).
- c. Authentic worship is in the Spirit.
In John 13:5, Jesus affirmed that *“no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.”*

2. Implications for Worship

- a. Worshiping in truth and spirit takes place through Christ in His name.
- b. Worship that Christ commands is not place-oriented (John 4:20) but person-focused, the person of God in Christ (John 4:20-21).
- c. Worship that is Christ-centric demands total surrender (Rom. 12:1).

3. Iterations of Worship

- a. True worship flows out of gratitude: “In everything, by prayer and supplication with Thanksgiving” (Phil. 4:6b).
- b. Flowing out of gratitude comes praise (Psalm 50:23).
- c. Praise reflects our love toward God in Christ (Matt. 22:37-39).