

Love of God & True Worship

Matthew 22:34-40; John 4:7-23

34But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. **35**And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. **36**“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” **37**And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. **38**This is the great and first commandment. **39**And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. **40**On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.” (Matthew 22:34-40 ESV)

The overarching purpose of Christ Fellowship is to love God with our whole self.

I. Love From God

1. Our Love for God is possible because God loved us **first**.
 - a. God’s love toward us gives us the **ability** to love Him.
 - b. God’s love toward us gives us right **motive** to love Him.

II. Love For God

1. Christ Fellowship desires to express our love to God in true **Worship**
2. Christ Fellowship seeks to **corporately** display Gods ultimate worth and beauty.

7A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” **8**(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) **9**The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) **10**Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” **11**The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? **12**Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” **13**Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, **14**but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” **15**The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.” **16**Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” **17**The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; **18**for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” **19**The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. **20**Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” **21**Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. **22**You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. **23**But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him... (John 4:7-23 ESV)

III. True Worshipers...

1. Christ Fellowship desires to be true worshipers in spite of our self-**perceptions** or **past** sins
2. Christ Fellowship desires to be true worshipers in Light of Gods **grace**.

VI. True Fashion...

1. Christ Fellowship desires to be true worshipers who worship God with **inflamed** hearts
2. Christ Fellowship desires to be true worshipers who worship God with **informed** minds.

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