

FJC Week 1 memory verse

- Genesis 50:20 You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people.
- Joseph to his brothers who had sold him into slavery years earlier.

Created to...WORSHIP

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

John 4:23

WHO are we Worshipping?

- **God the Father, the One and Only True God. Jesus Christ His Only Son and the Holy Spirit.**
- **The God who created all life. He is Eternal, Provider, Protector, Sustainer, Comforter, Healer, Counselor, Faithful, Holy, Judge, Forgiver, Life-Giver, Lord of Lord, King of Kings, and Heavenly Father.**
- **The God who is still active and performing miracles in our hearts and lives today!**

Worshiping God the Deliverer

- **Exodus 7:16** Then say to him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, has sent me to say to you: Let my people go, so that they may worship me in the desert.'
- **Exodus 9:1** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Go to Pharaoh and say to him, 'This is what the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, says: "Let my people go, so that they may worship me.'"

Who God is...

- Ps 95:6 Come, let us bow down in **worship**, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;
- Psalm 99:9 Exalt the Lord our God and **worship** at his holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy.
- Jonah 1:9 He answered, "I am a Hebrew and I **worship** the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the land."

- **Acts 17:22-31** 22 Paul then stood up ... and said: "Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. 23 For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: ~to an unknown god. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you. 24 "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. 25 And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else.

- **26** From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. **27** God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. **28** 'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' **29** "Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone--an image made by man's design and skill.

WHAT is Worship?

- Having Faith
- Glorify
- Exalt, lift up
- Honor
- Adoration
- Giving full devotion to
- Willingly putting someone or something above your own wants and desires
- Focused on one thing
- Being preoccupied with thoughts of
- Consumed
- Allowing our hearts to be moved and molded by God
- Having a teachable spirit, contrite heart
- “Serving in Love”
- A way of life

- **Ps 29:2** Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; **worship** the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.
- **Psalms 5:7** Because of your unfailing love, I can enter your house; I will worship at your Temple with deepest **awe**.
- **Romans 12:1** Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. 2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will.

- **2 Kings 17:35** When the Lord made a covenant with the Israelites, he commanded them: "Do not worship any other gods or bow down to them, serve them or sacrifice to them. 36 But the Lord, who brought you up out of Egypt with mighty power and outstretched arm, is the one you must worship. To him you shall bow down and to him offer sacrifices. 37 You must always be careful to keep the decrees and ordinances, the laws and commands he wrote for you. Do not worship other gods. 38 Do not forget the covenant I have made with you, and do not worship other gods. 39 Rather, worship the Lord your God; it is he who will deliver you from the hand of all your enemies." 40 They would not listen, however, but persisted in their former practices. 41 Even while these people were worshiping the Lord, they were serving their idols.