



Rock Church

Pastor Miles McPherson | Walking in God's Favor | December 5, 2020

### **D12 Monthly Focus for December: Passionately worship God**

#### **Sermon Application from Sunday's Message:**

Pastor Miles is kicking off a new sermon series called "Why Christmas?" He shared what it looks like to truly worship God, why we celebrate during this season, and how we should be humble, available, and grateful. God put something great in each of us that we have to take care of and nurture. We have a divine purpose that is bigger and better than anything we can do on our own.

As a group, take time to read through the following statements and discuss the questions below.

1. **True worship submits to God with HUMILITY. Read Luke 1:34**

- God has favored us by impregnated our lives with something so impactful that we will give birth to. You and I are limited to what we can do for God. When you're truly praying and walking with God, your life will be unexplainable. But you need to remain humble, even through adversity and struggles. God doesn't want you to know it all, He just wants you to have faith because He knows it all. Don't talk yourself out of a miracle. Focus on what you can do, not on what you can't do.
- What gift(s) or talent(s) do you think God gave you to use for His purpose?

2. **True worship is being AVAILABLE to God. Luke 1:38**

- You may see people that get blessed so you question your faith. But just "show up" and be available when God asks you to go pray for someone or read the word or spend time with Him. Ask yourself if your mind, body, house, car, and more are available to God. Use your gifts for God, however He wants to use you. You will see God work in your life.
- Sometimes we are tied up with other "things," that distract us from our purpose. What are some things you know have kept you from being available to be used by God?

### 3. True worship is being GRATEFUL in all circumstances. Luke 1:49

- If you don't know what is happening in your current situation, trust God that He knows what He is doing. He is going to do mighty things in and through you to touch generations and beyond. Sing a song of praise to God and His faithfulness. Be loyal according to His Word.
- Share an example of a time you went through something you thought was going to hold you back, but you trusted God in the process and were inadvertently blessed by the outcome.

#### **This Month's Memory Verse**

“Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth.”

~Psalm 96:9 NKJV

#### **This Week's Bible Readings / The Bible Project Videos**

Titus 1-3: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/titus/>

Philemon: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/philemon/>

Hebrews 1-10: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/hebrews/>

Proverbs 30: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/proverbs/>

#### **Upcoming Events / Next Steps**

- Support Toys for Joy. Text TOYS to 52525
- Be generous through giving. Text ALL IN to 52525
- Complete the LIFE Class. Text LIFE Class to 52525