

“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

Acts 16:30

Learn The Gospel

John 6:45; Romans 10:17; James 1:22-25

Believe On GOD In CHRIST

Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; James 2:14-26

Confess CHRIST

Romans 10:9-10; Matthew 10:32-33; 7:21

Repent Of Sin

Acts 3:19; Matthew 3:8

Be Baptized

Mark 16:16; Romans 6:3-6; 1st Peter 3:21

Be Steadfast

1st Corinthians 15:58; Revelation 2:10

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literally had no father but his creator. While evolutionists believe that man's ancestry can be traced back through monkeys and pond scum, Bible believers know that the trunk of our family tree is God Himself. No wonder we're commanded to honor our parents – they're a generation closer to God! And no wonder atheists' kids are so disrespectful of their parents – what reason do they have to behave otherwise?

“The Assembling Of Ourselves Together”

Hebrews 10:24-25

Sunday

10:15 am.....Worship

Las Vegas Library

833 Las Vegas Boulevard North

Monday

7:00 pm.....Acts Study

On hiatus

Tuesday

7:00 pm.....Ladies' Study

Alexis Barajas residence

Wednesday

7:00 pm.....Various Studies

Jerry & Beverly Dockens residence

“Give Attention To Reading”

1st Timothy 4:13

The reading assignments for this week are as follows:

Sunday.....Esther 7-9

Monday.....Esther 10-Job 2

Tuesday.....Job 3-5

Wednesday.....Job 6-8

Thursday.....Job 9-11

Friday.....Job 12-14

Saturday.....Job 15-17

“Sound Doctrine”

Titus 2:1

IS ALL OF LIFE WORSHIP?

Kevin Kay

That's what some are saying. In his book, Unbroken Bread, Mike Root says, “worship is a life given in obedience to God. It's not a when or where proposition, but a what. It's what we are. You can't go to it or leave it, dress for it or from it, and you can't start it or stop it... it doesn't open and close with a prayer, and it doesn't have a human leader or a special day” (p. 115).

The New Testament clearly teaches that a Christian is to present his body as “a living sacrifice” to God (Romans 12:1-2) and do everything in the name of the Lord (Colossians 3:17) and to the glory of God (1st Corinthians 10:31). It is also true that a Christian can and should worship God apart from those times when the church assembles together (Acts 16:25; Hebrews 13:15). Does this mean, however, that all of life is worship?

Just a few examples in the Bible clearly illustrate that all of life is **not** worship. Abraham told his servants that he and Isaac would “go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you” (Genesis 22:5). God told Moses to “come up to the Lord... and worship from afar” (Exodus 24:1). After the death of his son, David “went into the house of the Lord and worshipped. Then he went to his own house...” (2nd Samuel 12:20). The wise men came to Bethlehem to worship Jesus (Matthew 2:2) and when they found Him, they “fell down and worshipped Him” (Matthew 2:11). The Bible clearly

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"SONS OF GOD"

Bryan Matthew Dockens

Jesus Christ is the Son of God. When the angel Gabriel prophesied Jesus' miraculous conception, he told Mary, *"The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God"* (Luke 1:35). That Christ is God's Son in no way diminishes His deity. Centuries before His birth, the Holy Spirit foretold by the mouth of Isaiah, *"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given... And His name will be called... Mighty God..."* (Isaiah 9:6). It is therefore accurate to conclude that the Son of God is Himself God. The apostle John wrote specifically to convince readers *"that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God"* (John 20:31), with the intended result that those convinced would *"have life in His name."* The evidence cited to support the claim that Christ is the Son of God is the miracles Jesus performed (John 20:30). Over and over again His wondrous works did just that. When Jesus proved His omniscience to Nathaniel, the latter proclaimed, *"You are the Son of God!"* (John 1:49). When Jesus healed a blind man, He asked that man, *"Do you believe in the Son of God?"* and got the answer *"Lord, I believe!"* (John 9:35-38). His greatest miracle still proves the case, for He was *"declared to be the Son of God... by the resurrection from the dead"* (Romans 1:4).

Christians are all sons of God. Christ is *"the only begotten Son of God"* (John 3:18), indicating His special relationship with the Father. However, He is not the only son of God at all, *"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God"* (Romans 8:14). Those who are led by the Spirit are those who have been convicted of sin by the Spirit (John 16:8), who have been born of the Spirit (John 3:5), and thus have been washed, sanctified, and justified by the Spirit (1st Corinthians 6:11). In other words, Christians are the sons of God, *"For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ"* (Galatians 3:27).

Adam was the son of God. Luke's genealogy of Christ lists the ancestors of Jesus' foster father Joseph all the way back to the beginning, concluding with *"Adam, the son of God"* (Luke 3:38). The first man

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teaches that worship has a beginning point (Matthew 8:2; 9:18; 14:33; 15:25; 28:9, 17; Mark 5:6; John 9:38; Hebrews 11:21) and an ending point (Luke 24:52) and that worship does involve a "when" and "where" (John 12:20; Acts 8:27; 24:11).

In light of this kind of evidence, from where does this "all-of-life-is-worship" concept come? The proponents of this concept hang their hat on Paul's statement, *"Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your **spiritual service of worship**"* (Romans 12:1 NASB; ESV; NIV: NRSV). Other translations say, *"which is your **reasonable service**"* (KJV; NKJV) or *"which is your **spiritual service**"* (ASV). Although the original word translated *"spiritual service of worship"* (latreia) can refer to worship (Romans 9:4; Hebrews 9:1, 6), it more generally refers to service (John 16:2; Luke 1:74). In fact, the verb form (latreuo) is contrasted with the usual word for "worship" (proskuneo) (Matthew 4:10; Luke 4:8; Romans 1:25), suggesting a difference between the two. This evidence indicates that while all of life is service, not all of life is worship.

Brethren, some preachers are trying to affect radical change in the church as we know it today. The all-of-life-is-worship concept is a step in that direction. This concept, however, lacks divine foundation and must too be rejected.

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