

# TRUE WORSHIP

## Part 1

Introduction – When we use the word “worship,” we usually envision specific activities which go on in church buildings. New Testament scriptures offer a radically different idea of what true worship is in contrast to this traditional view.

A. There are four key Greek words translated worship in the New Testament scripture. *Proskeneo* is one of the four; it means that one bows or prostrates themselves before a greater one, like God.

1. This Greek word is found only in the gospels and Revelation with one exception, which we will examine later in this message.
2. In the presence of Jesus people are moved to kneel in worship before him.

Matthew 14:32-33

B. Jesus had a significant encounter with the Samaritan woman in the gospel of John, which turned into a discussion of worship.

John 4:18-19

John 4:21-22

John 4:23-24

C. In the Corinthian correspondence, Paul has a lengthy discussion about the purpose of the Christian assembly (1 Corinthians 10:14-14:40).

1 Corinthians 14:18-19

1 Corinthians 14:22-23

1 Corinthians 14:24-25

Conclusion – Worship is not limited to a specific place and time. True worship must be characterized by Spirit and truth.