The Challenge of Worship

Discussion Guide

Selected Texts

1. Read 1 Corinthians 10:1-13. How are we given so many negative examples of desires, thoughts, and behaviors in scripture? What should be our attitude toward them?
2. In Genesis 4:16-26, Lamech is the example of selfish worship. In what way do we use music to glorify self rather than to glorify God?
3. In what way does music reveal our hearts?
4. Nadab and Aibhu (Leviticus 10:1-3) were the example of unbiblical worship. Why does it matter how we worship? What makes certain forms of worship wrong?
5. In 2 Samuel 6, Uzzah was guilty of indifferent worship. Why is an indifferent attitude in our worship to God dangerous and sinful?
6. How did David exemplify passionate worship in 2 Samuel 6?
7. In Malachi 3:7-14, the Children of Israel were guilty of half-hearted worship. Why does worship demand ALL of our heart and all of our passion?
8. The Jewish leaders often prompted legalistic worship (elevating one’s opinions or preferences to the level of God’s inspired word and making all others conform to that preference). What is the danger of becoming legalistic in our worship?
9. On a scale of 1-10, 1 being extremely legalistic and 10 being extremely liberal, how would you rate your practice of worship?
10. In what ways (if any) are you guilty of selfish, unbiblical, indifferent, half-hearted, or legalistic worship?