

"Real Old Time Religion"
Exodus 24.1-18

TRUE WORSHIP - Attitude and Action - SPIRIT AND TRUTH

John 4.23 "they are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks"

WHEN DID GOD BEGIN SEEKING WORSHIPPERS??

CREATION - Westminster Shorter Catechism -

Question 1 - What is the chief end of man? (WHY ARE WE HERE?)

Answer - To glorify God and enjoy Him forever

CALL OF GOD TO A LOST SON - "where are you Adam?"

- Fashioned into the very IMAGE OF GOD

- BREATHED into his nostrils BREATH OF LIFE

DESIRE OF GOD FOR ALL CREATION -

Psalm 150.6 "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord."

PICTURES OF WORSHIP IN GENESIS

PATRIARCHS - BUILT ALTARS - WORSHIPPED TRUE AND LIVING GOD

EXODUS - FIRST PICTURE OF REDEEMED PEOPLE OF GOD IN WORSHIP

STORY OF GOD CALLING HIS PEOPLE OUT OF EGYPT - TO WORSHIP

8.1 "the Lord said to Moses, "Go to Pharaoh and say to him, Let my people go so that they may worship me"

CHAPTER 24 - REDEEMED (Red Sea) - COVENANT CEREMONY

1. God's Invitation to Worship

a. Revelation of Glory

3.12 GOD'S CALL TO MOSES FROM THE BURNING BUSH

"When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain"

§5.1 MOSES SAID TO PHAROAH

"This is what the Lord says, Let my people go, so they may hold a festival to me in the desert"

15.1 AFTER SAFELY PASSING THROUGH THE RED SEA, MOSES SANG

"I will sing to the Lord, for he is highly exalted. The horse and rider he has hurled into the sea...who among the gods is like you, O Lord? Who is like you - majestic in holiness, awesome in glory"

THEN THEY CAME TO MEET GOD ON MT. SINAI AND WERE IN AWE

READ 20.18-22

GLORY/TRUTH/ LAW - shows how far we are from God, holy separate
GRACE - God invites us into intimate fellowship with Himself

GOD DOES NOT LOWER HIS STANDARDS - HE FULFILLS THEM

AMAZING GRACE - GOD INVITES SINNERS TO HIMSELF

□b. Redeemed by Grace□

15.13 SONG OF MOSES

"In your unfailing love you will lead the people you have redeemed"

19.14 MET AT SINAI AND GOD SAYS

"You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to myself"

WRONG CONCEPTION - OT BELIEVER SAVED BY KEEPING LAW

20.2 LAW GIVEN TO REDEEMED PEOPLE

"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery"

Deut 7.7-11 "The Lord did not set his affection on you and choose you because you were more numerous than other peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples. But it was because the Lord loved you and kept the oath he swore to your forefathers that he brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the land of slavery, from the power of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commands. But those who hate him he will repay to their face by destruction; he will not be slow to pay to their face those who hate him. Therefore, take care to follow the commands, decrees and laws I give to you today."

John 1.17

"the law came by Moses, grace and truth comes by Jesus Christ"

□2. God's Instruction for Worship□

□a. Ceremony□ READ vs. 1-3

1 Cor 14.40

"everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way"

WORSHIP IS ACCORDING TO GOD'S DESIGN - NO FALSE WORSHIP

VARIOUS POSTIONS AND TASKS - ALL BEFORE GOD - HE IS CENTRAL

□b. Covenant□ READ v. 8,12

19.5 GOD'S PREFACE TO THE LAW

"if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all □ nations you will be my treasured possession"

WORSHIP IS NOT COMPLETE UNLESS YOU HAVE HEARD FROM THE LORD

PASTOR "we had such a good time of worship in song,
we didn't need a sermon" HIS IDEA, NOT GOD'S DESIGN

v. 8 BOOK OF THE COVENANT - ALL OF LIFE UNDER GOD'S LORDSHIP

1 Cor 10.31 "whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God"

v. 12 LAWS AND COMMANDS GIVEN IN CONTEXT OF FELLOWSHIP

OBEY GOD TO BE PLEASING TO HIM - LIVE WITH HIM

NOT SPECTATORS BUT PARTICIPANTS - IN CHURCH THERE ARE BOTH

□3. Our Involvement in Worship□

□a. Promise□ vs. 3,7 COMMITMENT TO GOD, HIS COVENANT, HIS PEOPLE

THEY SAW ONLY REDEPTION OF RED SEA - WE SEE THE CROSS OF CHRIST

C.T. STUDD - Missionary to Central Africa:

"If Jesus Christ be God and died for me, then no sacrifice can □ be too great for me to make for him"

Š□b. Blood□ v. 8 SOLEMN OATH

SIMILAR TO BAPTISM OF BELIEVERS - SYMBOL OF DEATH

COVENANT "bond in blood sovereignly administered"

□c. Vision□ vs. 9 - 11

MORE YOU COMMIT TO GOD, HE REVEALS MORE OF HIMSELF TO YOU

33.20 GOD LATER TELLS MOSES

"you cannot see my face, for no one can see me and live"

ROSALIND GOFORTH - MISSIONARY TO CHINA

"When He asks for and receives our all, He gives us in return □
that which is above price - His own presence. The price is not □
great when compared with what He gives in return; it is our □
blindness and our unwillingness to yield that make it seem great"

John 1.18 "No one has ever seen God, but God the only Son who is □
at the Father's side, has made him known"