

ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

DAY 1:

read Ephesians 2:4-7

The definition of Mercy is: Compassion or forgiveness shown toward someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm. In what ways has God's mercy been evident in your life? How has His mercy been noticeable in your relationships, your family, your work, your education, and any other life decisions or events you have experienced. As you REFLECT on the areas in your life that God has shown His mercy, take time to thank and worship Him for those things.

DAY 2:

read Matthew 6:9-14

Putting God at the center of every part of our lives is not just important, it's necessary. Do you find it difficult to put God at the center of every part of your life? Our journey leads us nowhere unless we set Christ as our destination in every aspect of our lives; and the only way we can do this is through sacrificial worship. What are some ways that you can REDIRECT your attention to God?

DAY 3:

read Romans 12:1-2

"present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice." Presenting our bodies means giving to God all of ourselves. The reference to our bodies here means all our human faculties, our hearts, minds, hands, thoughts, attitudes are to be presented to God. What are some habits, attitudes, or life style choices you may have that conform more to this world than to the way that is pleasing to God? Do you find those things get in the way of worship? Take time to pray and ask the Holy Spirit to give you a RENEWED mind and wisdom concerning the things that stand in your way of worship.

DAY 4:

read 2 Corinthians 3:18

As we learn to worship, we will be transformed to be the kind of people that reflect the nature and character of Christ. True worship is God-centered worship. Worship helps us build a relationship with God. As our relationship with God strengthens, our worship can grow deeper and in turn we become more like Him. What helps you REFOCUS your heart and attitude toward God and His love and mercy?

DAY 5:

read 2 Peter 1:3-10

The highest form of worship is obedience to Him and His Word. True worship is not confined to what we do in church. True worship is the acknowledgment of God and all His power and glory in everything we do. As an individual, with your family, or with a group of friends brainstorm some ways that you can take your worship to a new level.

NEXT STEPS:

Reflect on the following questions:

How has God been merciful in my life?

How am I living every day as a living sacrifice?

What area in my life needs to be offered to God?