

Will You Yield, Follow and Worship Him ?

WORSHIP – Reverence toward a divine being or supernatural power, the human response to the self revelation of the triune God. This includes (1) divine initiation in which God reveals Himself, His purposes, and His will; (2) a spiritual and personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ on the part of the worshipper; and (3) a response by the worshipper of adoration, humility, **submission**, and obedience to God.

To **submit** carries the idea of one yielding to what is being spoken. Through this behavior we learn to obey the instruction that has been rendered. This is another way of worshipping Him. As we do this, He receives our response of willingness and we proceed into obedience.

DEUTERONOMY 28:9 NASB - (9) The LORD will establish you as a holy people to Himself, as He swore to you, **if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God and walk in His ways.**

To keep His commandments and to walk in His ways, we must be willing to submit to Him, (Be transformed). Don't be deceived! We worship Him by receiving or submitting to Him. Otherwise, if we don't receive Him or yield to His instruction, we yield to the enemy instead.

DEUTERONOMY 28:20 NASB – (20) The LORD will send upon you curses, confusion, and rebuke, in all you undertake to do, until you are destroyed and until you perish quickly, on account of the evil of your deeds, because you have **forsaken** Me.

One will say, that the passages written in Deuteronomy were written when we were under the law and so it does not apply to us because we live under "grace." My brothers and sisters, they are also **principals** that apply to life today, just as much as yesterday. His words will not go void!

The verse above describes what will take place when we submit to the enemy instead of God. As the scripture speaks in **MATTHEW 6:24** NASB – (24) No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be **devoted** to one and **despise** the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

This principal in this verse is simply telling us that we will submit either to God or the enemy. It can be wealth or perhaps something else. Another name for this is "idolatry." Idolatry defines what we submit to more than God.

What is worship? It is a response by the worshipper of adoration, humility, submission, and obedience to God. They all go hand to hand. In other words, we cannot worship God without all four comprised. Yes we struggle in life keeping all four together, but what is the key? Submitting to Him first and the other three will fall into place.

It is then and only then we can say our "**Worship Is For Real**".

SCRIPTURE READING

PSALMS 148

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Worship changes the worshiper into the image of the One worshiped"

