# Worship The Lord

John 4:4-24 . Psalms 96:9

### Disclaimer

Worship covers an extremely wide array of forms, types and methods.

There are probably as many forms of worship as there are individuals in this room.

As such, it is impossible for one sermon to speak to everyone in this room.

However, nothing is impossible for God.

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- 16 He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." 17 "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. 18 The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true." 19 "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. 20 Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."
- "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. 22 You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. 23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. 24 God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

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#### WATERWAYS OF WORSHIP

#### INDIVIDUAL WELLSPRINGS

#### WELLSPRINGS MERGE INTO STREAMS

#### STREAMS COMBINE INTO A RUSHING RIVER

#### WATERFALLS - AN OUTPOURING OF OUR WORSHIP