Disciple - A Fervent Worshiper

- What is a fervent worshiper?
 - Is it necessary to be a fervent worshiper to be a disciple of Christ?
 - Why or why not?
 - Exodus 20:1–6 no other gods; Luke 4:5–8, Hebrews 12:28–29
- What is worship?
 - The Oxford Dictionary defines worship as the feeling or expression of reverence and adoration for someone or something.
 - o Psalm 29:2 (NIV): "Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness."
 - In short worship is Glorifying God.
 - Worship is the physical expression for what you find value in.
 - What do you think about this statement?
 - Worship is connected to what takes priority in our lives.
 - If you have trouble worshiping do you think you have a priority issue?
 - o Everybody worships something or someone.
 - What do you think about this statement?
 - o As a Christian, Worship should be purely reserved for God.
 - What do you think about this statement?
 - Does that mean you can't hear non-Christian music?
 - Exodus 20:5 Don't worship or serve idols of any kind, because I, the LORD, am your God. I hate my people worshiping other gods.
 - "Our heart's desire should be to worship God; we have been designed by God for this purpose. If we don't worship God, we'll worship something or someone else." ~ John Wimber
- How do we worship?
 - With our life.
 - Worship is more than songs, it is a lifestyle.
 - Worship is more than music or songs before the word, but it is a lifestyle of Glorifying God.
 - How do we honor God as a lifestyle?
 - Romans 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.
 - Honor God in your work, in your private life, in your homes, in your conduct, and in how you love.
 - 1 Corinthians 10:31 So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.
 - o Singing and Music
 - Singing is a powerful expression of faith and connection with the divine, mentioned over 400 times in the Bible, and at least 50 of those times are commands.
 - Psalm 96:1-2 "Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day."
 - God created music.
 - He gifted us with the ability to connect through songs and create them.
 - Protect your heart from Music that is not glorifying God.

- Passion in Worship
 - Psalms 63:4-5 TPT Daily I will worship you passionately and with all my heart. My arms will wave to you like banners of praise. I overflow with praise when I come before you, for the anointing of your presence satisfies me like nothing else. You are such a rich banquet of pleasure to my soul.
 - Passion: strong and barely controllable emotion.
 - Our passion encourages and draws people in.
 - Why should there be passion in our worship?
- Who do we Worship?
 - o It is important to know the truth about who God is biblically and relationally.
 - What is the difference between knowing God Biblically and relationally?
 - o "To know Him is to love Him"
 - The more we grow in our relationship with God and knowledge of who he is, the more we will grow in our Adoration.
- Why do we worship?
 - We worship the Lord for who he is and what he has done.
 - o The magnitude of God's Glory naturally draws reverence and honor from all creation.
 - We should know what God has done for us.
 - What does knowing what God has done for us and worship have to do with each other?
 - Luke 7:47 "I tell you, her sins—and they are many—have been forgiven, so she has shown me much love. But a person who is forgiven little shows only little love."
 - We should all know what Jesus has saved us from. The greater the salvation the greater the gratitude.
 - When we worship we are entering into communion, the sharing or exchanging of intimate thoughts and feelings, with God.
 - o It's a two-way exchange, our surrender and adoration for his rest, piece, affection, love.
 - O Zephaniah 3:17 For the LORD your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs."