Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

WHO IS GOD THE FATHER?

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PART 8: WORSHIP IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

THE FATHER SEEKS WORSHIPPERS

What does God the Father want from His children? Most people, Christians and non-Christians alike, are not honest with themselves or with others. In order to get along in life, a person is seldom comfortable sharing his true feelings about people with whom he is in contact.

For example, if you are stopped on the road by the police and were asked to roll down the window and present your driver's license, you are not going to tell the policeman that you do not like him. You will suppress your feelings even if he gives you a ticket for speeding; you are not going to argue with him even if you are angry inside because you do not want to be arrested, nor do you want to escalate the situation and have it potentially cost you more money.

The same holds true on the job. You do not want to antagonize your supervisor since you do not want to lose the job and be without an income.

In a marriage you are not going to tell your spouse everything that floats through your head. Satan shoots bad thoughts into your mind every day and you are able to reject them if you are a strong Christian. Many times the thoughts are embarrassing so that you want to keep it to yourself.

GOD KNOWS YOUR THOUGHTS

The Bible tells us that God can read the thoughts of a man and nothing is hidden from the Lord. Psalm 94:11; Luke 11:17; 1 Corinthians 3:18-20; Hebrews 4:12

It is foolish for you to come to the Father and try to put on a nice attitude when you are hopping mad inside. God wants you to come to Him in spirit and in truth. **John 4:21-24**

PREPARING TO MEET THE FATHER

If we are going to be totally honest, we must admit that as a sinful fallen human race, we are not that much fun to be around. We all get offended from time to time, most of us do not love ourselves, we are greedy and want the attention of others and we live like the universe rotates around us. **Romans 3:10-23**

In order to present yourself to the Father, the cross is our starting place. **Galatians 2:16-21**

We must declare spiritual bankruptcy before our heavenly Father and confess that we have no righteousness in and of ourselves but that we are coming in the righteousness of Jesus. **Romans 3:24-28**



You need to confess all sins and bad attitudes and ask the Father to take them. **1 John 1:4-10**

Make sure that there is no unforgiveness in your soul. Matthew 5:21-26

COME BOLDLY BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD

Once you have prepared yourself, it is time to come boldly before the throne of God. **Hebrews 10:14-24**

WORSHIP HIM IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH

There is nothing wrong with coming to the Father and sharing your burdens, grief and disappointments. **Psalm 55:1-23**

Once you have released all your burdens to the Father, break forth in great praise and worship because our Heavenly Father is worthy to be praised. **Psalm 150:1-6**

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?