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# Five Attitudes

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## **Key**

	Unit or Week
	Take Notes
?	Discussion
	Answers



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**SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO UNDERSTAND THE ATTITUDE THAT'S MOST IMPORTANT TO GOD

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This is the **Most Important Attitude** You Could  
Ever Choose to Have in Your **Entire Christian Life**

This attitude is:

- ? The very essence of salvation
- ? The truest indicator of how much potential you have in your walk with the Lord

I'm going to ask two things:

- ? Take Good Notes
- ? Realize the need to look up lots of scriptures (to see how emphatic the Bible is about this attitude)

One Word

\_\_\_\_\_

In the eyes of the Lord, to be Teachable is the most godly attitude you can now have or ever will have in your entire Christian life. It's an attitude that every brand new Christian has. Sadly, it's an attitude that many Christians lose over the years, and when you lose it, you're done \_\_\_\_\_.

**3 Synonyms**

- ? Easily \_\_\_\_\_ - to understand this, think of the opposite: someone who's \_\_\_\_\_. Write the word "\_\_\_\_\_".
- ? Willing to \_\_\_\_\_ - the opposite: to be \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
- ? (Many people have misconceptions about this word) \_\_\_\_\_. True humility doesn't mean to be down on yourself, it means to be \_\_\_\_\_. You're more hungry to know God's truth than you are to be \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Teachable Part 1



When you realize that the word “Teachable” is also the word “Humble”, you begin to get a grasp on how many thousands of scriptures address the importance of this attitude.

### **Twenty Scriptures From One Third of the Book of Proverbs** (Ch 10 – 20) (Less than half of the passages just in the book of Proverbs)

1. **10:8**
2. **10:17**
3. **11:14** – the principle of \_\_\_\_\_ in being teachable.
4. **12:1** – the Spirit of God says, “If you don’t like people telling you you’re wrong, you’re \_\_\_\_\_.”
5. **13:1**
6. **13:10**
7. **13:13**
8. **13:18** – for unteachable people, their lives don’t fall apart right away, but eventually it’ll hit them.
9. **15:5**
10. **15:10**
11. **15:12** – unteachable people never ask for advice.
12. **15:22**
13. **15:31**
14. **15:32**
15. **16:20** – teachable people have removed themselves as the final authority.
16. **17:10** – so much depends on how much they want to hear.
17. **19:16**
18. **19:20** – listen to this if you want to be wise.
19. **19:27** – we can all be deceived. Teachable people know it can happen.
20. **20:18**



**Take Notes on Verses in Proverbs:**

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## Teachable Part 1



### In Christian Ministry

A certain question pops up in people's minds. It's an embarrassing question, hard to utter. When do you \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_? There's a conception that you are to put up with anything from anyone, anytime and you are to give of yourself and never expect anything in return.

**Proverbs 9:7-9** – commands those in ministry: "\_\_\_\_\_ to minister to unteachable people." It warns you that if you do, you'll get \_\_\_\_\_. (Example of sucking someone dry)

### How to Recognize an Unteachable Person

It's not always easy to tell! People come in shades and grays and degrees. I'm going to give you five tools to equip you. We're going to look at the first one today. I'm going to give you five scales and show you what a teachable and unteachable person is like.

<b>SCALE #1</b>									
<b>Unteachable</b>									<b>Teachable</b>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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Def: _____									
_____									
Greek word Epi-Knosis =									
"_____ of knowledge"									



**Take Notes:**

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## Teachable Part 1



### Six More Scriptures from Proverbs

1. Proverbs 18:2
2. Proverbs 12:15
3. Proverbs 14:12
4. Proverbs 18:13
5. Proverbs 26:3-12 – verses 3-11 gives a grotesque description of a fool. In verse 12, “Do you see a man who is opinionated? There’s \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ for a fool than for him.”
6. 1 Corinthians 8:1 – partial knowledge puffs up, but love builds up.

### OPINIONS

**Opinions** are like \_\_\_\_\_. They will eat you alive. Once you let a little bit in, it grows. When you begin to focus on what you know, you start losing your focus on what you \_\_\_\_\_ know. You start losing your hunger to learn in areas where you don’t know. Keep tight watch on your \_\_\_\_\_. Who of all people is Satan going to try to get opinionated? Leaders.

**3 Red Flag Phrases** - When you hear someone say these words, you know you’re in trouble.

1. Well, \_\_\_\_\_ - all that matters is what God says about a situation.
2. Well, \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

What’s the common word in all three sentences? \_\_\_\_\_. Opinionated people have set themselves up as the \_\_\_\_\_.

### ***Am I saying . . .***

- ? You can never disagree when I preach something?
- ? You can never challenge something that’s said or done?

Not at all! I love people who dig into what’s being said. What’s the opposite of opinionated? (Return to bottom of last page to fill in ‘Teachable’ blanks).



### ? Discussion Questions

1. Where would you place yourself on the 1-10 scale and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Where would your mate or a close friend place you on this scale and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What nuggets of truth did you learn from the scriptures in Proverbs? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. CHALLENGE QUESTION: What area in your life can you exercise a teachable attitude in this week? To put it another way, what is an area that you need to grow in? \_\_\_\_\_

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#### ANSWERS:

<sup>1</sup> Teachable <sup>2</sup> growing <sup>3</sup> correctable <sup>4</sup> defensive <sup>5</sup> eager <sup>6</sup> change <sup>7</sup> set in your ways <sup>8</sup> inflexible <sup>9</sup> humble <sup>10</sup> teachable <sup>11</sup> right <sup>12</sup> safety <sup>13</sup> stupid <sup>14</sup> write people off <sup>15</sup> give up <sup>16</sup> quit <sup>17</sup> Do not try <sup>18</sup> burned <sup>19</sup> opinionated <sup>20</sup> taking strong stances on partial knowledge <sup>21</sup> fullness <sup>22</sup> lots of questions <sup>23</sup> more hope <sup>24</sup> cancer <sup>25</sup> know <sup>26</sup> leaders <sup>27</sup> what I believe is <sup>28</sup> I think <sup>29</sup> I don't agree with that <sup>30</sup> I <sup>31</sup> final authority

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## Teachable Part 2



### **SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS TO BE TEACHABLE

### **Review of Last Week**

- ? Teachable is the Most Important Attitude
- ? 3 Synonyms
- ? 30+ Scriptures (how many were surprised by this?)
- ? It's Hard to Tell if Someone's Teachable (people come in shades of gray)
- ? Scales can Help Determine Who is Teachable

<b>SCALE #2</b>									
<b>Unteachable</b>					<b>Teachable</b>				
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The whole idea of being teachable is tested by your attitude toward . . .

### **Authority**

- ? Most of the correction in your life will come through authority.
- ? To be under authority is to be in a position where you are open to correction.
- ? People who try to remove themselves from authority are trying to remove themselves from a position where they have to be \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Danger**

- ? These people are not aware of how easily they can be deceived.
- ? Those scriptures we read last week carry one single message: "You can be \_\_\_\_\_."
- ? A teachable person is very aware of how easily they can be deceived, therefore, they see their need for \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Teachable Part 2



### Matthew 5:3

- ? The "Beatitudes". What is Jesus' first attitude?
- ? "Blessed are the poor in spirit." What does Jesus mean by poor?
- ? There's one sure factor in the life of a poor person: they know they're poor. They're aware of their \_\_\_\_\_.
- ? Who was Jesus contrasting to? The Pharisees, who considered themselves very rich in spirit.
- ? Three of the first four Beatitudes speak to being teachable.
  1. "Poor in Spirit" - aware of their own spiritual weaknesses
  2. "Meek" - easily correctable
  3. "Hunger and thirst for righteousness"

### Examples That Show the Connection Between These Two Thoughts

1. (Touchy Example) Spirit Filled Christians Who Go to \_\_\_\_\_ Churches
  - ✍ Their reasons sound so good. What is it that they're missing?
  - ✍ They're not aware of how much \_\_\_\_\_ oversight and protection.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ who have no authority and oversight.
  - ✍ **II Peter 2:16** - those who follow sinful ways despise authority.
  - ✍ The word "despise" does not mean to hate.
  - ✍ "Despise" simply means to \_\_\_\_\_.

### SCALE #3

Word: \_\_\_\_\_

**Unteachable**

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**Teachable**

- ? Don't be naïve - when all someone tells you is how they've been wronged, let's be wise and realize that she's her own main problem.
- ? In 99.9% of your conflicts, you weren't innocent, were you?
- ? What if a teachable person is an innocent party? (See blank for #10)

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### Teachable Part 2



### SCALE #4

**Unteachable**

**Teachable**

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- ? How many of you have, in the past six months, sought the counsel of your home group leader, your pastor, or your wife?
- ? You're not teachable only if someone comes to you.
- ? Teachable people \_\_\_\_\_ advice.
- ? I love to see men who are Godly enough to say, "I need some advice".
- ? **Counseling Tip** - every time you counsel someone, \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Scriptures

- ? **Mark 5:22** - old wineskins
- ? **James 3:17** - easily entreated



### ? Discussion Questions

1. Where would you place yourself on each of the three 1-10 scales and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Where would your mate or a close friend place you on these scales and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. How would you summarize your attitude toward authority figures? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. How do you react in a conflict? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Ask God to show you someone you can seek advice from this week. \_\_\_\_\_

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#### ANSWERS:

<sup>1</sup> People who have little regard for authority and don't see their own ability to be deceived <sup>2</sup> Very aware of how easily can be deceived, and sees own need for authority and oversight <sup>3</sup> authority <sup>4</sup> open to correction <sup>5</sup> deceived <sup>6</sup> authority <sup>7</sup> weaknesses <sup>8</sup> dead <sup>9</sup> they need <sup>10</sup> Pastors <sup>11</sup> treat with little regard <sup>12</sup> CONFLICTS <sup>13</sup> Point out other's wrongs <sup>14</sup> What is God trying to teach me? <sup>15</sup> defensive and touchy about correction <sup>16</sup> seeks and responds to counsel <sup>17</sup> seek <sup>18</sup> give them something to do



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**SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE AND IMPORTANCE OF THE CHURCH

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**Beth's Statement**

" \_\_\_\_\_ "

A person's self-image is tied in to how much they see themselves as productive. The reason that had such a powerful impact is because I have seen that truth in every one of your lives. I see that deep desire: "I want my life to mean something! I want to feel like my life is productive!"

**Ephesians 4:11-12**

These verses state clearly and directly what the purpose of the Church is. Have you ever wondered, "Why do I bother coming to church?"

Verse 11 says that Jesus set up a structure in His body that He calls the church. Notice that Jesus' structure is \_\_\_\_\_, not buildings. Verse 12 tells us the purpose of this structure of people called the Church.

**The purpose of the Church is to**

\_\_\_\_\_

**in the kingdom of God!**

**When I take those two thoughts**

1. The realization that every one of you desires to feel productive
2. The purpose of the church is to take that desire and train you and teach you and mold you until you become useful and productive in the kingdom of God; to aim that desire toward God's purposes

I become challenged about the purpose of the church in believers' lives!

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I also have to face the fact that . . .

### **If the church doesn't do it's job**

- ? Many of you will take that desire to be useful and productive and you'll put it into your job, sports, a hobby, or making more money.
- ? That hunger to feel worthwhile or useful has to be \_\_\_\_\_!
- ? God is the one who placed that desire in you, and there's a reason.
- ? God has a calling on each of your lives to be productive (Examples).

Today we're going to look at

### **ATTITUDE # 2**

- ? Draw a line mentally after attitude #2, then draw a big gap, and then add attitudes #3, #4, and #5. In other words, separate attitudes #1 and #2 from everything else in this series.
- ? Why? Attitudes #1 and #2 are the two \_\_\_\_\_ to you ever becoming \_\_\_\_\_ in the kingdom of God.
- ? If you have attitudes #1 and #2 established in your life, I guarantee that you will become useful, productive, strong, and mature in the kingdom of God! If you get these two, you'll get everything else.
- ? If you don't get these two, I can almost guarantee you that you will never be of any use to God in His kingdom.

### **Attitude #1**

**"Teachable"**

### **Attitude #2**

**" \_\_\_\_\_ in a \_\_\_\_\_ "**



### **Situations and Applications**

1. **Survey** – how many of you have ever been locked in a Godly church (for at least a year you were in a healthy, Godly church and you were there every time the doors were open)? How many of you would say you grew more spiritually during that time period more than any other time in your life?
2. **Men** – every one of you is called to be a spiritual leader.
  - ? Some of you have a lot of sin in your lives, you're real weak in praying, and you don't hardly read the Bible.
  - ? You take a man in that position and tell them, "Be a spiritual leader" and within his heart wells up the question, "HOW"?
  - ? Two things: be teachable and then take every ounce of authority you have and get your family locked in a Godly church.
  - ? Set your home: " \_\_\_\_\_!"
  - ? God will one by one gently take care of every other area in your life if you'll do those two things.
3. **Learn a Lesson From the Devil** – the more important something is, the harder Satan fights it.
  - ? How many of you have learned that things can be going well, and then right before Home Group, \*bam\*, here comes Satan!
  - ? If someone \*hasn't\* established faithfulness and starts trying to, all literally hell breaks loose on them when it's time to go to church.
4. **Ladies With Unsaved Husbands** – that's a tough walk.
  - ? 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 3 tells you how to get your husband saved, through your submissive behavior. That is the key to the man's salvation.
  - ? You have to be careful in any area where you don't obey him.
  - ? There's only one area where I've counseled a woman to obey God rather than her husband, and that is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ? Have you ever seen a woman whose husband talked her out of going to church? She'll \_\_\_\_\_. I've never seen an exception.
5. **No Godly Church in a Town** – what in one word is your solution? \_\_\_\_\_!  
No nice house or wonderful job is worth your family not being in a godly church! Pay whatever price you've got to to be locked in a Godly church!

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6. **Desiring to Witness** – it breaks my heart when someone says, “Well, we had family come in this weekend, so we \_\_\_\_\_.”
- ? Do you have any conception of what that does to your Christian witness?
  - ? Every person in the world evaluates your commitment to Christ by your commitment to church.
  - ? We realize that’s not all that’s involved, but the world isn’t that dumb and they’re not that off either.
  - ? If your unsaved family can talk you out of going to church, something in them says, “There isn’t much to their religion”.
  - ? The best witnessing you’ll do is when you’re unsaved relatives come and you say, “This family doesn’t miss church.”

#### **What Happens Inside You?**

- ✍ The most important minutes you spend is your personal time. The second most important minutes are in church.
- ✍ What happens when someone pays the price to make that commitment?
- ✍ Such a deep sense of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that settles in your walk with Jesus.
- ✍ Lets be honest – if you’re healthy and in town and you skip church, no matter how much you chirp to yourself about excuses, something deep inside you says, “I’ve \_\_\_\_\_”.
- ✍ When you sacrifice anything to establish a consistent record of being in church, something in your gut says, “Jesus Christ is \_\_\_\_\_ of my life!”
- ✍ **Luke 18:8** – “When the Son of Man returns, will He find faithfulness on the earth?”

#### **What Happens In Your Kids?**

- ✍ Proverbs says that the highest sign of a productive life on this earth is \_\_\_\_\_.
- ✍ If you want a guarantee that your kids are going to serve God, you’ve got to start with being teachable and locked in a Godly church.
- ✍ (Examples You Can Set For Your Kids)
- ✍ They will understand that with mommy and daddy, \_\_\_\_\_.

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### Other Areas

- ✍ Do you want to be blessed in your job? Make whatever career and financial sacrifices you have to to be in church, and you'll be blessed.
- ✍ In your socializing with friends, however much time you have to cut out with friends, you do it. Do whatever it takes to get your family in church!

### Four Scriptural Threads

# 1 - Study the phrase " \_\_\_\_\_ " - what does this represent? The church! (Example of Mark Brownlow). If you want to know what someone's commitment to Christ is, simply look at their commitment to Christ's \_\_\_\_\_.

# 2 - Study the \_\_\_\_\_ of the church - to train believers. Try to train someone who only shows up sometimes. Study the idea of deep commitment on both sides.

That's why you've got to pick a Godly church, because you will become \_\_\_\_\_ whatever church you go to. There's no such thing as missionaries to churches, only missionaries from churches.

# 3 - Study the book of \_\_\_\_\_. This church was so powerful and productive. They accomplished so much for God!

# 4 - Study \_\_\_\_\_ New Testament books were addressed to. They're addressed to the church.

### One Last Thing

I have put all the responsibility on you. Regarding the leadership of the church, where does their accountability come in?

1. Hold your church accountable to not \_\_\_\_\_ this truth (excessive amounts and lengths of services)
2. When you come to a service, \_\_\_\_\_ there.



### ? Discussion Questions

1. What has your attitude toward church attendance been throughout your Christian life?

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2. How is being "Locked in a Godly Church" connected to being "Teachable"? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Which of the six situations could you relate to this most, and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. What are the benefits of being "locked in a Godly church"? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Do one of the four scripture studies suggested at the end of the sermon and make notes on the importance of the church. \_\_\_\_\_

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 **ANSWERS:**

<sup>1</sup> Everybody desires to be productive <sup>2</sup> people <sup>3</sup> train God's people to be productive <sup>4</sup> satisfied <sup>5</sup> essentials <sup>6</sup> productive <sup>7</sup> Locked <sup>8</sup> Godly <sup>9</sup> church

<sup>10</sup> My family will be in church <sup>11</sup> church <sup>12</sup> move <sup>13</sup> skipped church <sup>14</sup> strength

<sup>15</sup> assurance <sup>16</sup> compromised <sup>17</sup> Lord <sup>18</sup> kids who serve God <sup>19</sup> God comes first

<sup>20</sup> Body of Christ <sup>21</sup> body <sup>22</sup> scriptural purpose <sup>23</sup> like <sup>24</sup> Acts <sup>25</sup> who <sup>26</sup> abuse

<sup>27</sup> God's



**SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO DISCOVER THE BEST EVIDENCE OF HOW SINFUL OR GODLY YOU ARE

**\* Review of First Two Attitudes \***

# 1 - Teachable

# 2 - Locked in a Godly Church



**Take Notes:**

**\* Spiritual Equation \***

Truth # 1 + Truth # 2 = Truth # 3

**Truth # 1**

In every interaction you will ever have with every other person, they will measure how much you care about them by how much you \_\_\_\_\_.



**Walter Anderson** once said, "The most sincere compliment we can pay is \_\_\_\_\_."



**Barry Barber** story

- o He wrote a book and said, "There is a secret weapon to making others feel more friendly to you."
- o He said, "You have to make it happen. Break the ice with a question or comment that conveys interest in the other person. Ask for advice. Pay a compliment. Let your questions focus on the other person. Say, 'What do you think?' rather than 'Do you agree with me?' Keep the conversational ball in their court."



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## Unselfcentered Part 1



### **Book** – “How to Win Friends and Influence People” by Dale Carnegie

- Printed in 1937
- Translated into nearly own language
- Sold over fifteen million copies
- Become Genuinely Interested in Other People
- Be a Good Listener
- Talk in Terms of the Other Person’s Interests
- Make the Other Person Feel Important

### **Quotes**

- “You can make more friends in two months by becoming genuinely interested in other people than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you.” – Dale Carnegie
- Other Quotes



**Take Notes:**

### **Think About It**

- Isn’t it true that the people you like the most, the reason you like being around them so much is that they are \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_?
- Think about the people you like to avoid. You dread the thought of being together with them. Every one of them talks incessantly about \_\_\_\_\_.

### **For a Christian**

- This is such an important truth
- To be like Christ means that we have the answer for this world
- We have something people ought to listen to
- But they won’t listen to us and they don’t care what our message is
- “People don’t care how much you know until they know how much you care”



### Truth # 2

The essence of sin is being \_\_\_\_\_.

- ✍ **Unger's Bible Dictionary Definition of Sin** - "egotism or selfishness. Self is put on the throne instead of God. Selfishness is at the bottom of all disobedience."
- ✍ Think about every sin you've ever heard of or done. Isn't it true that the root motive is someone putting themselves as the center of their life to the exclusion of God and anyone else's needs or desires.

### Prelude To Truth # 3

When you put these two truths together, it's like taking a gallon of gas and a lit match. There's a **powerful third truth** that comes from the bringing together of these two truths.

- ✍ In every little unimportant casual conversation you could ever have, there are **two powerful forces** at **war** within you.
- ✍ Because of truth #1, every conversation you have is an **opportunity** to show the \_\_\_\_\_. The single technique for that is to center the conversation around them.
- ✍ At the same time, there's another force. The power of sin. At the same time the love of God is saying, "Center your attention on this person", the power of sin is screaming within you, "Center the attention around yourself! Aren't you interested in me?"
- ✍ Whichever one of these two forces you most consistently obey tells you how much sin or godliness you have in your life.

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### Unselfcentered Part 1



**Luke 6:43-45** – is it possible when you meet a complete stranger, most of the time, within 30 minutes to know \_\_\_\_\_?

- ✍ **Jesus** gives an analogy of good trees with good fruit and bad trees with bad fruit. The analogy is to godly people and ungodly people.
- ✍ **Verse 44** - "Each tree is \_\_\_\_\_ by its own fruit."  
Jesus says it is possible to recognize the difference between godly and sinful people. Jesus said in the same way, you can examine people's lives and know whether they're sinful or godly.
- ✍ **Verse 45** - we know that the root of the matter is what's in the heart, but how do we know what's in the heart? What fruit should we examine?
- ✍ Jesus says one of the most powerful statements in the whole New Testament: "For out of the overflow of his heart, his \_\_\_\_\_ speaks."
- ✍ You examine what comes out of the mouth of a person. How filled with sin or how filled with self is a person's conversation?

### Truth # 3

The best evidence of how sinful or godly you are is how \_\_\_\_\_.

### Scriptures

- ✍ **James 3:2** – how much sin you have in your conversation is the \_\_\_\_\_ to all the sin in your life.
- ✍ **James 1:26** – have you ever met religious people when if you're around them all they do is talk about themselves? Isn't it true that their religion is worthless?



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## Unselfcentered Part 1



**Word** - " \_\_\_\_\_ "

- ✍ When you're deceived, you don't know you're deceived. There are people who are filled with sin and don't know it.
- ✍ People who don't walk in this - they don't know they're not walking in this.
- ✍ The only thing that can set people free is clear, piercing truth.

<u>SCALE #1</u>									
<b>Sinful</b>					<b>Godly</b>				
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### ? Discussion Questions

1. Where would you place yourself on the 1-10 scale and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Where would your mate or a close friend place you on this scale and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What truths in this teaching impacted you the most and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Who can you practice being more unselfcentered with this week? Ask God to show you how to center your conversations with that person around them. \_\_\_\_\_

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#### ANSWERS:

<sup>1</sup> center the conversation around them <sup>2</sup> attention <sup>3</sup> interested in you  
<sup>4</sup> themselves <sup>5</sup> self-centered <sup>6</sup> love of God <sup>7</sup> how much sin is in that person's  
life <sup>8</sup> recognized <sup>9</sup> mouth <sup>10</sup> self-centered you are in casual conversation  
<sup>11</sup> doorway <sup>12</sup> deceived <sup>13</sup> Self-centered <sup>14</sup> Unselfcentered <sup>15</sup> always aims  
toward self <sup>16</sup> always aims toward others



**SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO LEARN HOW TO BE POSITIVE

**\* Review of Last Week \***

<b>SCALE #2</b>									
<b>Sinful</b>									<b>Godly</b>
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_____ / _____			_____ / _____				_____ / _____		
_____ / _____			_____ / _____				_____ / _____		

**\* Story: "Father Forgets" \***

**Godly Adjectives**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Self-centered people forget that other people have the same deep, continual need to be uplifted that they do.
  - b. **Proverbs 27:2** – let another praise you and not your own mouth; someone else and not your own lips. What is it that this verse says that the selfcentered person focuses on more than any other? The need to be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. To be positive is one of the essences of what it means to be godly.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. **Definition** – to put \_\_\_\_\_ into your positive comments.
  - b. Bland positive comments are not much better than having said nothing.
  - c. People need enthusiasm. People need you to think you're wonderful!
  - d. Have you ever worked with children? How much do you have to have enthusiasm? You have to!

## Five Attitudes

### Unselfcentered Part 2



3. \_\_\_\_\_
- How gushy are you?
  - Does it make you nervous to associate being gushy with being godly?
  - There's a specific deception I'm coming after.
  - Let me speak to those who are backing up right now. You might think:
    - That's just not my way!
    - Who are you to say that?
    - I'm just naturally reserved, naturally quiet.
  - The truth is, what you are is naturally \_\_\_\_\_.
  - To be fair, you were probably raised that way and you were never taught this.
  - When you commit to Jesus, you commit that you will gear all the responses in your life around the needs of \_\_\_\_\_ people!
  - Every person that God created has a deep, deep need for continual, constant, positive, enthusiastic, affection!
  - I Thes 2:17-3:10**
    - Remember the personality of Saul before he was Paul.
    - How gushy or affectionate was Saul? He was a Pharisee among Pharisees. He was the guy that led the stoning of Stephen.
    - Saul changed. Saul, when he committed his life to Christ, he committed his life to minister to the needs of others. It didn't take him long to realize that every person has a deep, constant thirst for positive, enthusiastic affection.
    - Count how many gushy words or phrases are in here: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Paul understood that he had to learn how to become gushy because of the needs of the people
    - (Suggestion for Home Group Leaders)
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Self-Centered Adjectives and Ratios** (see chart previous page)

**Dealing With Negatives** - to be positive doesn't mean you don't deal with negatives. The fact is, you're much more \_\_\_\_\_ in dealing with the negatives because people believe you really care.



## ? Discussion Questions

1. Where would you place yourself on the 1-10 scale and why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Where would your mate or a close friend place you on this scale and why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. What truths in this teaching impacted you the most and why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal ways in which you can be more positive around your family, your coworkers, and friends, and then implement what He gives you. \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

### ANSWERS:

<sup>1</sup> 1:1 <sup>2</sup> 10:1 <sup>3</sup> 100:1 <sup>4</sup> Critical, Distant, Unaffectionate, Unappreciative  
<sup>5</sup> Positive, Enthusiastic, Gushy, Appreciative <sup>6</sup> Positive <sup>7</sup> Praised <sup>8</sup> Enthusiastic  
<sup>9</sup> energy <sup>10</sup> Gushy <sup>11</sup> selfish <sup>12</sup> other <sup>13</sup> 41 <sup>14</sup> Appreciative <sup>15</sup> effective



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### **SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO LEARN HOW TO BE A GOOD LISTENER

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#### Question

How many have ever wanted or dreamed of people looking at you and thinking, "Wow, that's a \_\_\_\_\_ person?"

- ? In marriage counseling, the bottom line accusation I hear more than anything else is, "He/She doesn't listen to me!"
- ? Ever had employees that you felt like everything you told them went in one ear and out the other?
- ? Ever wished your kids would listen to you? Ever wished your parents would listen to you?
- ? Wouldn't it be wonderful to be so godly that people sought you out just to listen to you?
- ? Wouldn't it be wonderful if those closest to you are the ones who want to listen to you the most?

#### A Story About Listening

##### Luke 2:40-47

- ? These teachers of the law are some of the most educated, prideful men you'll ever meet.
- ? Up comes a scrubby twelve year old kid, who did something in their midst to cause them to want to listen to him.
- ? To truly listen to someone **IS** to \_\_\_\_\_.
- ? **Verse 46** - Everyone who heard Him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. Answers to what? Questions ... from whom? The teachers of the law!
- ? People listened when Jesus talked. The reason: Jesus listened to people!
- ? For three years Jesus was the master teacher. The reason was because for thirty-three years, He was the \_\_\_\_\_.

# Five Attitudes

## Unselfcentered Part 3



### James 1:19

- ? "Take note of this" - I'm about to tell you something really important.
- ? "Everyone should quick to \_\_\_\_\_"
- ? Isaac Markenson's quote: "The ability to listen seems \_\_\_\_\_ than almost any other good trait."
- ? James commands every Christians to be excellent listeners.
- ? I want to teach you how to listen.

### I Want to Teach You How to Listen

- ? It is so important to know how to minister to a self-centered person.
- ? This society is up to it's neck in selfishness.
- ? When you lead people to Christ, that's good, but they've got years of self-centeredness.
- ? You have to become experts in self-centered people.
- ? Self-centered people have never learned how to listen.
- ? They believe that if you stop talking, that's listening.
- ? If we never learn how to listen to people, people will never listen to us.

## 6 Ingredients To Good Listening

Use these in any conversation, and nearly every time they will \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ to you.

1. An \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. **General** - 5 or 6 questions you can ask nearly anyone, anytime, anywhere - an \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. **Specific** - they require a \_\_\_\_\_ answer.
  - c. **Example** - questions for a visitor in church.



**Take Notes:**

## Five Attitudes

### Unselfcentered Part 3



d. **Two That People Miss**

- i. General \_\_\_\_\_ (only positive things!)
- ii. What are the two favorite words for every person to hear?  
Their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ !

3. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Comments

**Huge Gap Between the First Three and the Last Three**

- ? You will meet many people who are polite. They will do steps 1, 2, and 3.
- ? You will find it to be a very rare experience if you ever meet someone who actually cares enough about you to take the conversation below the superficial level of these first three, to dive and submerge to the depths of true conversation.

\* This One Is The Key \*

4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Watch their \_\_\_\_\_
6. Find \_\_\_\_\_

The only route to someone's heart is the  
\_\_\_\_\_ route.



**Take Notes:**

What you've got to do to learn to be interested in  
someone is you've got to \_\_\_\_\_ that person.

## Five Attitudes

### Unselfcentered Part 3



SCALE #3*									
Sinful									Godly
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\* This is called scale #2 on the tape in error.

#### **Quiet Self-Centered People**

This scale flushes out the quiet self-centered people. They consider themselves not at all self-centered. If you're extremely quiet and never ask questions, what's the highest mark you can get on scale #3? \_\_\_\_\_. You may not be long-winded and get extremely to the point, but if you don't ask questions you're not a godly person.

SCALE #4									
Sinful									Godly
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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_____					_____				

#### **Sensitivity**

We all have a gift of sensitivity, but somehow God made it so we can only turn it one direction at a time. If you turn it to others, nothing they do will bother you. If you turn it to yourself, everything they do will bother you and you won't be aware of anything that bothers you.



## ? Discussion Questions

1. Where would you place yourself on both of the 1-10 scales and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Where would your mate or a close friend place you on these scales and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What new listening skills did you gain in this teaching? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Practice asking questions to those around you this week.

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### ANSWERS:

<sup>1</sup> wise <sup>2</sup> ask questions <sup>3</sup> master listener <sup>4</sup> listen <sup>5</sup> rarer <sup>6</sup> pour out their souls  
<sup>7</sup> introductory question <sup>8</sup> smile <sup>9</sup> 5 or 6 General/Specific Questions <sup>10</sup> arsenal  
<sup>11</sup> icebreakers <sup>12</sup> specific <sup>13</sup> Appearance <sup>14</sup> first <sup>15</sup> last name <sup>16</sup> Positive  
<sup>17</sup> Enthusiastic <sup>18</sup> Ask specific questions about their answers <sup>19</sup> response  
<sup>20</sup> their areas of interest <sup>21</sup> invited <sup>22</sup> become <sup>22</sup> longwinded and never asks  
questions <sup>23</sup> to the point and asks tons of insightful questions <sup>24</sup> 5 <sup>25</sup> quick  
tempered or easily gets feelings hurt <sup>26</sup> even tempered and very sensitive to  
others' feelings



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### **SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO LEARN WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT THE TITHE

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Hints to Find Books in the Bible - the New Testament breaks down this way:

1. The Four Gospels
2. Four Large Books - Acts, Romans, I and II Corinthians
3. Four Small Books (GEPC) - Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians
4. The Five 'T's - I Thessalonians, II Thessalonians, I Timothy, II Timothy, Titus (alphabetical order)

### **Scriptures**

? **I Timothy 6:6-10**

? **Matthew 6:24**

### **Salvation**

- ? When you're first saved, it's such an incredible thing to grasp the magnitude of salvation, and the power of Jesus Christ to change every aspect of your life.
- ? Salvation is a change in the \_\_\_\_\_ of your life. Before you were saved, you ran the show, but I Corinthians 6 says that you no longer own your life, that you were \_\_\_\_\_ with a price.
- ? Jesus Christ now owns you. That can be real exciting in some ways. That means that the things that used to own you have to pack up and move out.
- ? According to Matthew 6:24, one of the things that will fight God the hardest for control and ownership in your life, one of the things that will try to replace God and make you serve it is \_\_\_\_\_. (He did not say 'You cannot serve God and the devil' or 'sin' or 'selfishness' or 'pride'. He said 'money').

## Five Attitudes

### Financial Freedom Part I



#### Money

- ? If you're not aware of the power of money to control you, you're very naïve. Money controls more people than \_\_\_\_\_ does!
- ? Most people who get saved have a very messed up money background (huge debt, impulsive spending, etc).
- ? To be free from worshipping money is to be free from \_\_\_\_\_ about money!
- ? That is the curse of being controlled by money. You think about it all the time. They're deceived into thinking 'that's my money'. The more you think it's 'my money', the more that money owns you.
- ? There's a need when someone comes to Christ to break that idol worship and to enter into the freedom of Jesus Christ and say, 'It's His money' and to let it go.
- ? Worshipping money will suck the spiritual life right out of you.

For a Christian,  
the whole issue of the ownership of Jesus Christ  
in your life in finances begins with the word  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### Two Comments

1. We're going to look at a lot of scriptures. A lot of people have opinions on tithing but have never clearly studied the Word of God.
2. Personal Comments
  - ? When I first heard about tithing, I knew that the issue was not money. The issue was the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ in my life.
  - ? Whoever controls the money controls the company. If Jesus Christ controls me, He controls my money. I would allow my family to live on the streets before I would ever touch one cent of God's money.
  - ? I've never seen Christians that did not tithe that were not under a curse. I've never seen Christians that tithed that within three years God didn't bring rest and peace to their finances.
  - ? When I look at Matthew 6:24, I see that if I so much as love money, then I \_\_\_\_\_. I'm determined to be devoted to God, therefore I must despise money. I will fight it with a passion!



### Scriptures

- ? **Leviticus 27:30-32** - "tithe" is the word "\_\_\_\_\_". In those days, you tithed by giving crops, fruits or animals. If the 10<sup>th</sup> goat was your favorite goat, you could tithe that goat by paying the value for that goat by money to the Levitical priests, but you had to add 20%.
- ? **Genesis 14:17-20** - Melchizedek is mentioned here in 3 verses, one verse in the Psalms, and nowhere else in the Old Testament. He came out of nowhere. Abraham gave a tenth of his plunder to Melchizedek. There's a whole chapter in the New Testament devoted to this meeting:
- ? **Hebrews 7:1-8** - Hebrews is the book in the New Testament written to explain the \_\_\_\_\_ in the old covenant and the new covenant. That's why it was written to the Hebrews!
  - o Verses 1-3 - this incident with Abraham occurred before the law. Who is Melchizedek? Most likely this was Jesus Christ Himself.
  - o Verses 4-7
  - o Verse 8 - in the Old Testament, the tenth is collected by men who die, but in the other case (new covenant) by Him who is declared to be living. Who is this referring to? Jesus Christ! It doesn't say in the Old Testament we tithe but in the New Testament we don't do that! Jesus Christ Himself collects those tithes!
- ? **Genesis 28:10-22** - story about Jacob.
  - o Significant Fact - this is the first time God revealed Himself to Jacob. Out of the reality that God is alive and God cares about me flows the last few verses. He adds to that, "Of everything you give me, I will give a tenth back to you."
  - o It's not until you have a reality experience with God that you realize that God really does own everything! If you're having a hard time thinking about the tithe, then the root problem is not the tithe. The root problem is not having an \_\_\_\_\_ with the living God! When you experience God, you know that He is everything and that everything you have comes from Him!



- ? **II Chronicles 31:4-8** - story of a revival in Israel. When the people were obedient, it loosed the ability of God's people to be \_\_\_\_\_!
- ? **Nehemiah 10:37-39** - story of poor, oppressed, and discouraged people. Nehemiah said, "Are you ready to pay the price to return to God?" The people said, "We're going to get right with God!"

#### **Spiritual Warfare Over Money**

There's only one area where I've seen more demonic oppression and spiritual warfare, and that's sexual immorality. I could hear demons screaming all week long, "That's my money!" The warfare is with you. You've got a week of warfare ahead of you.

Root Bottom Line  
"Who \_\_\_\_\_ you?"



## ? Discussion Questions

1. How easy or difficult is it for you to tithe, and why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
2. How does the issue of tithing relate to the ownership of Jesus Christ in your life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. (For those who don't tithe) What is the root reason you don't tithe? Are you willing to start tithing? Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
4. CHALLENGE QUESTION: If you tithe, ask God to give you a new revelation of His ownership in your life. If you don't tithe, ask God to give you a full revelation of what tithing means, and begin tithing this Sunday. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 ANSWERS:

<sup>1</sup> ownership <sup>2</sup> bought <sup>3</sup> money <sup>4</sup> immorality <sup>5</sup> thinking <sup>6</sup> Tithing <sup>7</sup> ownership <sup>8</sup> hate  
God <sup>9</sup> tenth <sup>10</sup> difference <sup>11</sup> experience <sup>12</sup> blessed <sup>13</sup> owns



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**SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO LEARN THREE BIBLE TRUTHS ABOUT MONEY

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**God's Attitude On Money**

Last week, we laid down a firm scriptural foundation on the subject tithing. Obedience in tithing is the \_\_\_\_\_ to gaining God's perspective on the subject of money. It's the first rung of the ladder in financial freedom.

Today I want you to get a vision for the  
**Ultimate Goal of Financial Freedom**

**Two Cornerstone Scriptures on Financial Freedom**

1. **Matthew 23:23** – two things in this verse.
  - a. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ as a New Testament truth.
  - b. (Most people miss this point) This verse defines for us God's perspective on money. Money is simply \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ✍ The more important something is, the more it should fill your thought life. The less important something is, the less it should fill your thought life.
    - ✍ If you want to be godly, the real test of how godly you are in the area of money is how much you \_\_\_\_\_ about money.

✍ **Financial Freedom** is where your money is so much under Bible principles of finance that your mind is at \_\_\_\_\_. You're free from debt, from financial pressure, from worry, from the wants of this world, from the love of money.

2. **Malachi 3:8-12**



### Three Bible Truths

#### Truth #1

There are lots of \_\_\_\_\_ Bible truths  
about money besides tithing.

#### Ten Bible Truths About Money

1. Learning to \_\_\_\_\_
2. Learning to walk in \_\_\_\_\_
3. Learning to be \_\_\_\_\_
4. Learning to be \_\_\_\_\_ and seek \_\_\_\_\_ (outside your home, and husbands and wives)
5. Learning to be \_\_\_\_\_
6. Learning to be a \_\_\_\_\_
7. Learning the Bible principle of \_\_\_\_\_
8. Learning to not be \_\_\_\_\_ (the area of \_\_\_\_\_)
9. Learning to \_\_\_\_\_ (Faith)
10. Learning to \_\_\_\_\_

#### Truth #2

The more of these Bible truths you have in your life,  
the more \_\_\_\_\_ you will have.

The desire of God is not just for you to tithe, have a savings account, or a budget. The desire of God is for your mind to be free from the clutter of worry about money! The more of these you have in your life, the more freedom you have financially!



**Truth #3**

**When you begin to tithe, God releases the Spirit to teach you the \_\_\_\_\_  
to eventually bring you to Financial Freedom.**

Tithing is just the match that starts the flame. Tithing begins a process in your life by which these other Bible truths will be taught to you by the Holy Spirit to the ultimate goal of Financial Freedom.

**Study of Malachi 3:10-11**

- ✍ Some people think tithing is a cure-all, that if you tithe God will just bless you in any way and if you don't tithe you'll have a curse. It is true that when people get obedient in tithing, God works miracle after miracle. But that's not the main message of verse 10. That blessing that's promised in verse 10 is defined in verse 11!
- ✍ If you have financial pressure in your life, there are two possible solutions to your problem: an increase of income or a decrease in outgo. In over 90% of all the people who have money problems, the problem is not how much money they make, but how much money they \_\_\_\_\_.
- ✍ If you have financial problems, I can wave a magic wand and triple your income today. In over 90% of the time, in three years, you'd have just as much financial pressure or more than you have now. Is that true about me? Is my problem not that I need more money, but that I have this spending of money? If you think about that, verse 11 comes to life for you.

## Five Attitudes

### Financial Freedom Part II



#### Continuing Study of Malachi 3:10-11

- ✍ Does verse 11 say He will increase your income or decrease your outgo? God says, "The things you already have, you will get more \_\_\_\_\_ out of them!"
- ✍ When you start paying your tithe, it's not a blank check promise. Malachi 3 is saying, when you start being obedient in the tithe, God says "I'm going to release my Holy Spirit to bring them into financial freedom." When God says He will throw open the "floodgates of heaven", is that pouring money out of heaven? No, the Holy Spirit is being poured out!
- ✍ The Spirit comes down and the Spirit knows your heart. The Spirit says, "Now that they're obedient I'm going to bless them by teaching them these other truths." (Examples)



#### **Take Notes:**

- ✍ Something \_\_\_\_\_ happens in every person's life when they begin to tithe. The verse is not saying if you tithe you'll get more income.
- ✍ When I see people who want to obey God, I have seen God take these other ten Bible truths and teach them to people in an incredibly short period of time. There's a legitimate thing that happens here!
- ✍ God's goal is to bring you to Financial Freedom, where you're at rest. The tithe begins the process of the Spirit begin poured out bring you to that place.




### **Concluding Advice**

- ✍ You might want to charge out of here and get all of your finances straight. Remember the principle to be cautious. Slow down.
- ✍ You've got a lot of decisions to make. Do you really want Financial Freedom? (Comments on tools in the church).
- ✍ Make one decision at a time. The first decision is to tithe.
- ✍ Slow down and pray and talk about it for a week or a month. If you're married, husbands and wives should talk and pray.
- ✍ Seek \_\_\_\_\_.



### ? Discussion Questions

1. What sorts of financial pressures do you have? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
2. Which of the ten other Bible truths do you feel you need to grow in the most, and why?  
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3. What new truths about tithing did you learn from this teaching? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Are you willing to seek advice on your finances? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Decide which area of Financial Freedom you need to **start** working on, and begin working on it this week. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 ANSWERS:  
<sup>1</sup> first step <sup>2</sup> validates tithing <sup>3</sup> not important <sup>4</sup> think <sup>5</sup> rest <sup>6</sup> other <sup>7</sup> work hard  
<sup>8</sup> integrity <sup>9</sup> content <sup>10</sup> cautious <sup>11</sup> advice <sup>12</sup> creative <sup>13</sup> cheerful giver <sup>14</sup> savings  
accounts <sup>15</sup> ignorant <sup>16</sup> budget <sup>17</sup> trust the Lord <sup>18</sup> hating debt <sup>19</sup> financial  
freedom <sup>20</sup> other Bible truths <sup>21</sup> spend <sup>22</sup> use <sup>23</sup> different <sup>24</sup> outside counsel



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**SESSION OBJECTIVE:**

TO LEARN WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT PRAISE AND WORSHIP

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“Our Father who art in Heaven  
Hallowed be Thy Name  
Thy Kingdom Come  
Thy Will Be Done

”

Jesus gives us our standard for how to function on earth. The standard is “as we will in heaven”! Part of the message of Christianity is that the power and life and sense of existence in heaven now dwells within us. In Luke 17:21 Jesus said the kingdom of heaven is within you. This simple message is that we can live the standard of heaven on earth!

**Many Applications**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. In the way we \_\_\_\_\_ each other
3. We will \_\_\_\_\_ the Father with a purity and immediacy
4. Our whole desire to walk in divine health

I understand we will not be perfect, but they are things that we set our eyes toward that over time we can reach these levels.

There’s one area that this standard applies to greater than anything else -

Praise and Worship

## Five Attitudes

### Obedience in Praise and Worship



#### **Judson Cornwall - The High Praises of God**

Judson Cornwall believes that in the high praises of God that God's people so lose themselves in who God is and get so unconscious of themselves and so conscious of God, we co-mingle and join in with the worship in heaven and become one huge choir on earth and in heaven!

### **Fifth Attitude**

\_\_\_\_\_ in Praise and Worship

#### **General Theme**

The standard for our praise and worship on earth is the praise and worship we will take part in for eternity in heaven.

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#### **Study of Revelation 19:4-6**

To get a taste of what worship in heaven is like!

#### **Verse 4**

- ☞ "The 24 elders and the four living creatures" - these represent the \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☞ They are the starting point. They are very \_\_\_\_\_.  
They cry out, they get loud.
- ☞ We ask everyone to have a basic understanding of Praise and Worship, but we ask our leaders to be excellent in Praise and Worship. A leader needs to be free to do whatever the Spirit of God asks.

## Five Attitudes

### Obedience in Praise and Worship



#### Verse 5

##### ☞ 3 Questions about Verse 5

1. Where did this call originate from? From the \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. How many are called? \_\_\_\_\_. If a child is 5 - 6 years old and they have given their lives to Christ, is it okay for them to sit there and be bored? No! God says I call all of my children!
  3. Is this call a request or a command? A \_\_\_\_\_. The throne is the seat of authority. The living God is saying, "I am God! I am worthy of you falling on your face, etc".
- ☞ This last point is a key for those who have a hard time with Praise and Worship. Many grew up inhibited by your emotions. Because of that, you are stunted in your growth. Your emotions have a wire wrapped around it.
- ☞ The only way you will be free in your emotions will start in Praise and Worship. It will only come if you understand obedience. Praise and Worship is not an emotional experience. Praise and Worship is a command from the throne of God! Many times it results in emotional blessings but your strength will come as you come to a place of obedience.

#### Verse 6

- ☞ Notice the description of the \_\_\_\_\_!
- ☞ **Balance** - worship does not have to be loud. Some of the most powerful worship times are times of awesome silence.
- ☞ I am saying that if you're never loud and if you've never shouted before God, then you are not totally in line with Bible patterns.

Those of you who grew up with strong preconceived notions of what worship is and what it's not, examine them by the Word of God.

*Note on Additional Sermon That is Mentioned - this sermon was dropped due to poor sound quality, but the notes from it appear on the next two pages.*

Examine worship in the Word of God so you worship God  
on earth as you will in heaven.



### Obedience in Praise and Worship Requires Choosing to be Physically Demonstrative

#### I Definitions

##### A) Worship

- 1) (N.T.) "PROSKUNEO"
  - a) "PROS" - lean towards
  - b) "KUNEO" - to kiss
- 2) (O.T.) "SHACHAH" - to press body down, fall prostrate

##### B) Praise (O.T.)

- 1) "YADAH"
  - a) To thrust out or extend hands
  - b) Psalms 67:3, 7:17, 9:1, 28:7, 30:9, 33:2, 42:5,11, 43:4,5
- 2) "SHABACH"
  - a) Literally to be loud, or to shout, or to proclaim
  - b) Psalm 117:1, 63:3,4, 106:47, 145:4, 147:12
- 3) "HALAL"
  - a) To shine, be showy, boast
  - b) Psalm 35:18, 56:4, 63:5, 145:1
- 4) "TEHALAL"
  - a) Sing Halal
  - b) Psalm 33:1, 34:1, 33:28, 48:10, 9:14
- 5) "ZAMAR"
  - a) Sing with instrument
  - b) Psalm 150
- 6) "BARAK"
  - a) Kneel in reverence
  - b) Psalm 95:6, 34:1, 16:7, 66:8, 96:2

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## Five Attitudes

### Obedience in Praise and Worship




- II Clearly Biblical and Proper Physical Actions for Praise and Worship
  - A) Bowing Down – Gen 18:2, 24:26, Exodus 4:31, 12:27, I Chron 29:20, Matthew 2:11
  - B) Clapping Hands – Psalm 47:1, 98:8, I saiah 55:2
  - C) Dancing – Exodus 15:20, Psalm 30:11, 149:3, 150:4, Jeremiah 31:13, II Samuel 6:14, 16
  - D) Fall On Your Face – Nehemiah 8:6, I Corinthians 14:25, Job 1:2, Revelation 1:17, 7:11, 11:16, 19:4
  - E) Kneel – II Chronicles 7:3, 6:13, Psalm 95:6, Ezra 9:5, Mark 15:1
  - F) Lift Hands – Nehemiah 8:6, I Timothy 2:8, Psalm 63:4, 134:2, Hebrews 12:12
  - G) Shout – Revelation 19:6, Psalm 47:1, 33:3, 65:13, I saiah 12:6
  - H) Sing – Psalm 32:11, 33:1,3, 57:7,8, 68:4, II Chronicles 29:28,30
  - I) Speaking in Tongues – Acts 2:11, 10:48, I Corinthians 14:15



### ? Discussion Questions

1. How free are you in Praise and Worship to be expressive in ways discussed in this sermon? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What new truths about Praise and Worship did you learn through this teaching? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. CHALLENGE QUESTION: Ask God to show you if there are any areas in Praise and Worship that you need to be more free in. Ask God to give you new levels of freedom.  
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 ANSWERS:  
<sup>1</sup> on earth as it is in heaven <sup>2</sup> joy <sup>3</sup> love <sup>4</sup> obey <sup>5</sup> Obedience <sup>6</sup> leadership  
<sup>7</sup> demonstrative <sup>8</sup> throne of God <sup>9</sup> All <sup>10</sup> command <sup>11</sup> volume