

## Sermon Notes - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025

### The presence of worship - Exodus 33:11-23

Today we begin a series on worship and want to lay some foundations to what we will be exploring.

#### Worship is more than the songs we sing

God spoke to Moses face to face (Num. 12:8) and he wanted to know God more. That desire is a heart condition (Ps. 51:16-17) emanating from a humble heart (Num. 12:3). The humble heart knows that it needs the transforming presence of the Holy Spirit to bring about change. Worship is first and foremost a heart matter.

#### Worship is more than what suits me

Worship in the Western world has often been reduced to something individualistic. Even though we want to pursue God it should be in the context of "us" or "we". Moses wanted to know God that he might be a blessing to others. It's all about us (Ps. 122:1, 1 Cor. 14:19). Worship should bless all.

#### Worship is more than our neat formulas

God has made us differently and we will answer "I feel closest to God...?" in a variety of ways. If we truly appreciate "us" we will not get stuck with a neat formula that this is the only way to worship God. We will grow to appreciate the multiple of ways people can know God and what serves to deepen their relationship with Him

- ❖ *What one thing did we take away from the service this week?*
- ❖ *What are we going to do differently as a result of what we have heard?*
- ❖ *How might God captivate our hearts that we might desire to worship him more?*
  - ❖ *How can we guard against "it's all about me" worship?*
- ❖ *What does a generous worshipper look like? How has God surprised you lately in the way he has met you?*

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## Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April



To Bill (Secretary) and Phillip (Treasurer) on their re-election to the Leadership Team



To Joanne (Elder), Billa and Philip (Deacons) on their election to the Leadership team





You are warmly invited to a

## Community Street Party

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025

2pm to 4pm



★ Food ★ Games ★ Craft ★ Music ★ Fun ★

Bring your family, friends & neighbours

Ebenezer Baptist Church, Columbus Ravine, YO12 7QZ

Enquiries: [events@rockofhelp.org.uk](mailto:events@rockofhelp.org.uk)

### HELP REQUIRED FOR OUR COMMUNITY STREET PARTY

- Monday 5th May, 2 til 4.
- There are flyers in the church entrance; please take them to invite your friends.
- Please let Anita know if you'll be attending (for catering purposes).
- Please let Anita know if you can help in any way, e.g. serving food, supervising crafts and games, setting up tables, clearing away (or help in any other way).
- Susan Stride will be managing the kitchen and planning/coordinating the catering.

### Faith on Fridays - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May @ 7:00pm

#### FAITH



#### Thinking

This is an opportunity to reflect on and be shaped in our thinking by what the Bible has to say about contemporary issues. We will take one issue each month, receive some input, followed by discussion. This week we lay the basis for all future discussions by establishing the primacy of Scripture. If you plan to come to other evenings, please make this one a priority!

### Men's Breakfast



#### Men's Breakfast

**Speaker: Stephen Redman**

**Venue: North Cliff Golf Club**

**Date: 10th May**

**Time: 8:30 am**

**Cost: £8:00**



Please sign up at the back of church

### Help!



Would you be willing to prepare communion once a month for the morning communion service? If you could see this as your ministry to the church, please have a chat with Denise.

### Diary for the week

Day	Activity	Contact
Monday 28	am Workers Prayer 6:30 Youth Chill and Chat 8:00 pm Mens Fellowship Prayer	John Gleghorn Matt & Emily John Games
Tuesday 29		
Wednesday 30	10:30 Small Group – Northside A 2:00 Small Group – Southside 7:30 Re:Fuel	Denise Grassam John and Gill Payne Matt Brooksbank
Thursday 1	10:30 – Men's Fellowship Coffee 7:30 Small Group – Tea and Cake 7:30 Small Group – Northside B 8:30 – Small Group - Zoom	Ray Beadle John and Hilary John and Viv Andy and Ali
Friday 2	11:00 – Ladies at the Hub 7:00 Faith on Friday	Viv Games John Gleghorn
Saturday 3	8:30 – Fellowship Prayer	John and June
Sunday 4	9:30 – Prayer 10:30 – Morning service 4:30 Youth 6:30 – A time to pray	John, Anna or Ali



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