

Courageous Disciple Makers: 1 of 5
“Worship”
Cornerstone Church of Poway
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2023 Vision: To courageously become disciple makers – who worship Jesus, connect in community, grow in faith, serve the church, and share the message of grace & mercy in Jesus.

“Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.”

1 Corinthians 11:1 (NIV) Remember Verse

Then Jesus came to them and said, "**All authority** in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore **go** and **make disciples** of all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and **teaching** them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely **I am with you always**, to the very end of the age." **Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)**

Jesus replied: "'**Love the Lord** your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like it: '**Love your neighbor** as yourself.'

All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Matthew 22:37-40 (NIV)

We become courageous disciple makers when we:

- **Worship Jesus In Response To God's Grace And Mercy.**

We Worship Jesus By:

1. Passionately Declaring The Praises Of God

“More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which *comes* from God on the basis of faith, that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.” **Philippians 3:8-11 (NASB)**

“But you are a **chosen people**, a **royal priesthood**, a **holy nation**, a **people belonging to God**, that you may **declare the praises** of Him who called you **out of darkness** into His **wonderful light**. Once you were not a people, **but now you are the people of God**; once you had not received mercy, **but now you have received mercy.**” **1 Peter 2:9-10 (NIV)**

“**Through Jesus**, therefore, let us continually offer to God a **sacrifice of praise**--the fruit of lips that **confess** His name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.” **Hebrews 13:15-16 (NIV)**

2. Intentionally Setting Aside A Day For Rest And Worship

“You have **six days** in which to do your work, but remember that the seventh day, the Sabbath, is a day of rest. On that day do not work, but gather for worship. The Sabbath belongs to the LORD, no matter where you live. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful.” **Leviticus 23:3 (TEV)**

“You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don’t give reluctantly or in response to pressure. ‘For God loves a person who gives cheerfully.’ And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.” **2 Corinthians 9:7-8 (NLT)**

3. Thoughtfully Taking Our Next Right Step

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will.” **Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)**

“And let us consider how we may **spur one another on toward love and good deeds**. Let us not give up **meeting together**, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” **Hebrews 10:23-25 (NIV)**

What area of worship do you need to grow in?

I will worship by:

- Accepting Jesus as my Lord and Savior
- Passionately declaring praises to God
- Intentionally setting aside a day for rest and worship
- Thoughtfully taking my next right step

- I’m interested in attending small group
- I’m interested in hosting a small group
- I’m interested in leading a small group

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Family Corner: [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in faith as a family. Try this over dinner. Keep it to 12 minutes or less.]

Small Groups: [Choose as many questions that honors your group’s time commitment]

Open in Prayer:

➤ What thoughts from this week’s message encourages me to live a life for Jesus?

Icebreaker: What is your favorite worship song? Why?

“Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.”

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We Worship Jesus By:

1. Passionately Declaring The Praises Of God

Read Philipians 3:8-11

Disciple makers are followers of Jesus who have a passion to know and love Him. They are purposeful to deepen their intimacy with Him.

In Paul’s profit and loss accounting system, how does he compare all that he gave up to know Jesus?

How is your passion for Jesus?

Read 1 Peter 2:9-10

What are the various names that Peter calls Christians in this passage?

Which ones speak to you the most?

What are we called to do in response of what God has done for us?

Read Hebrews 13:15-16

How earnest is your praise and worship?

How does your worship lead to doing good to others?

2. Intentionally Setting Aside A Day For Rest And Worship

Read Leviticus 23:3

Why should we set aside a day to worship?

What are we to do on this day of worship?

Is this an important part of your faith? Why or why not?

Read 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

How should we respond to giving in worship?

What is God's response to our giving?

3. Thoughtfully Taking Our Next Right Step

Read Romans 12:1-2

How does our response of taking our next right step demonstrate worship?

What is God's promise if we do?

Read Hebrews 10:23-25

How should our worship affect others?

What is included in our worship?

What area of worship do you need to grow in?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.