

Upton Vale
BAPTIST CHURCH

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LOVE

*Summary of the learning from
the series*



The 'big idea' of the series...

We are ultimately defined not by what we know or what we achieve but by what we love.

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Mark 12:29-31

- Human beings are made to love
- What we love most we worship
- What we worship shapes the destiny of our lives
- And so ultimately, we become what we worship
- We are what we love
- And most of the time we don't even notice!

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Mark 12:29-31

- In a world where we all worship what we love, Christian worship aims our loves at God
- Worship reorders our loves, it gathers up all our distracted loves.
- Worship is the reforming and re patterning of what our heart loves.
- Choosing to worship Jesus gives our lives an intentional trajectory.

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Psalm 19

- If you want to worship Jesus learn to delight in his creation
- If you want to worship Jesus learn to delight in His word the Bible
- If you want to worship Jesus learn to be dethroned

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Psalm 100

- Delight in something is not complete until its shared.
- Worship perfects perfection
- God is present and to be known and experienced in worship.
- In worship, God want us to know we belong to Him.
- Joy is one of the proofs you have a personal faith not a religious belief

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Psalm 100

- Worshipping God is intellectually satisfying because life's ultimate questions are fully answered in worship.
- Worshipping God is psychologically nourishing because seeking happiness does not make you happy but gratitude does make you glad.

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Exodus 40

- Worship is learning to live our whole lives in the presence of God.
- Worship is learning to live in partnership with God - making Him known to the world.
- Worship is learning to follow God on a journey.

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Exodus 37

- Worship offends God when it is just an empty religious gesture.
- Worship is for God and about God not for me or about me.
- What we do with our bodies in worship matters.

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Colossians 3

- Worship of God is only possible in the name of Jesus
- Christian Worship is a lifestyle that reflects the character of Jesus
- Christian worship is historically informed and biblically based
- Christian Worship is communal and participatory
- Christian worship needs to be practiced
- Singing in worship is surprisingly important!

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Psalm 27

- In a world where we all worship what we love, Christian worship aims our loves at God
- Worship reorders our loves, it gathers up all our distracted loves.
- To worship is to rediscover who we are and why we are here
- To worship God is to come home

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Mark 14

- Communion is Christ's *real presence* in worship
- Communion unites us with Christ and each other
- Communion is the means by which we take Christ into ourselves *and* are taken into Christ's body – His church
- Communion is participating in the eternal life of Jesus Communion is a symbol and a sacrament
- Communion looks back and it looks forward
- Communion constitutes the church

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Matthew 16:13 -25

- 1 Its possible to worship Christ and do the work of Satan.
2. It's possible to worship Christ and have in mind the agenda of men and not God.
3. It's possible to worship Christ but be blinded to His purposes by our culture
4. It's possible to worship Christ and refuse to do his will
5. It's possible to worship Christ and be a stumbling block to his purposes
6. What does our worship cost us?

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Mark 9:1-10

- Worship is something we are invited *into*.
- Worship pre dates creation
- Worship of Jesus confronts our cultural thinking
- Worship fulfils us
- Worship anticipates the future

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