REGAL Discipleship Guide

Message Title: "What God Deserves" For the week of July 2 - 8, 2017

Main Thought:

God deserves our worship. Through scripture we discover three ways that God asks us to worship Him:

- 1. We offer Him control of our lives: Surrendering ALL of us as a sacrifice of worship. The things we do for Him are great, but He ultimately wants our lives to honor Him.
- 2. Including Him in our everyday life: We don't just give Him our lives, but are conscious of how we find Him in the midst of our everyday lives.
- 3. Give Him my sincere affection: To be fully committed to God and not waiver in my devotion to Him.

God wants us to be ALL in for Him. Although there are other ways we worship God, we need to realize that everything we do is an act of worship to Him.

Main Passages:

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." (Romans 12:1-2 ESV)

"I have no complaint about your sacrifices or the burnt offerings you constantly offer. But I do not need the bulls from your barns or the goats from your pens.

10 For all the animals of the forest are mine, and I own the cattle on a thousand hills. 11 I know every bird on the mountains, and all the animals of the field are mine. 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for all the world is mine and everything in it. 13 Do I eat the meat of bulls? Do I drink the blood of goats? 14 Make thankfulness your sacrifice to God, and keep the vows you made to the Most High. 15 Then call on me when you are in trouble and I will rescue you, and you will give me glory." (Psalm 50:8-15 NLT)

"For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him..." (2 Chronicles 16:9)

Discussion Questions: Reflection:

 What especially stands out to you from the main thought and the Bible passages?

Application:

• Share about the first time you encountered and understood God's love for you. How did that change your view of what worship is?

Group Prayer:

• With your Grace Group, pray for one person you know who needs to experience the love of God.

