

Entertainment Part 5: The Worship Issue

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Entertainment: A Definition

Any action that is *calculated* to provide diversion, pleasure, interest, or amusement.

- Includes more common forms: TV, movies, gaming, internet, music
- Also includes broader categories: hobbies, leisure, recreation



Our Plan

Focus on 4 primary entertainment issues:

The Priority Issue

The Reality Issue

The Worldliness Issue

The Worship Issue



Worship

- Worship defined: Ascribing worth to someone or something held in extremely high regard
- Worship expressed:
 - Publicly (corporately) Ps. 135:1-2
 - Privately (personally)



Personal Worship

- Bringing God glory:
 - 1 Cor. 10:31 So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.
 - Psalm 96:8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name...
- Giving God devotion:
 - Mark 1:35 And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed.



Worship

- Worship incorporated:
 - The Priority Issue
 - The Reality Issue
 - The Worldliness Issue



1 Peter 1:13~16

¹³Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹⁴As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."



The Worship Issue

Timeless Principles:

- God alone is worthy of worship. (Rev. 5:13-14)

And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.



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- Our lives are acts of worship. (Rom. 12:1)

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.



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*I will not set before my eyes
anything that is worthless.
I hate the work of those who fall away;
it shall not cling to me.*



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- God alone is worthy of worship. (Rev. 5:13-14)
- Our lives are acts of worship. (Rom. 12:1)
- Selfish pursuits are not worth our focus. (Psalm 101:3)
- We must remember His guidelines. (Ecclesiastes 11:9)



Psalm 16:11

You make known to me the path
of life; in your presence there is
fullness of joy; at your right
hand are pleasures
forevermore.