

# A WORD ON WORSHIP

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### 2 Timothy 3:1-5

But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. <sup>2</sup> For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, <sup>3</sup> unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, <sup>4</sup> treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, <sup>5</sup> holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these.



Scripture tells us that in the last days godlessness will have control in the world. We see this now in the world and the frequency and intensity of godlessness is growing daily. Actions and policies may be called right or moral or even what God wants by those in power. These actions and policies are usually dressed up as being for best of reasons or for the benefit of many. But the real purpose behind today's ungodliness is described in scripture above, 2 Timothy 3:1-5.

Holding a form of godliness means that those at all levels of power try to portray themselves and their actions as "good," as the thing or things God wants. They project their own desires and cloak them with "spiritual" words and promises. Their actions, however, tell the truth: they do not know the living God or have relationship with Him. Because they do not have a real relationship with God in Christ they are not sealed with the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit, they do not have the power of real godliness in their lives.

The only way to truly know what God wants, what is right and moral, is to know God. We can only truly know God by first having our sins forgiven by Christ and beginning a new life with Christ in charge. This new relationship equips us to understand what God has provided for us and how He wants us to respond. That response is having the right thoughts, purposes and actions that please and serve Him. He supplies the power for that response. To find those right responses we must look to His word, the Bible. It is through the Bible that we get to know Him. The more completely and intimately we know Him, the better we can see, trust and follow Him in all circumstances.

The scriptures reveal His love, His power and His Promise.

God's love is expressed in his sending his Son to die, not for the Son's own sins for he lived the only life without sin, but to die to pay the penalty for the sins of all who will trust in the Son: The sins of you and me.

God's power is seen in the six-day creation of the world. All things created in the six days were spoken into existence except for man, whom God made "by hand". His power is further revealed on a human experience level by His bringing to life people who were dead.

God's promise is for eternal life for all who trust the Son and what He has done on the cross and in the resurrection.

*John 6:40: For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day."*

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