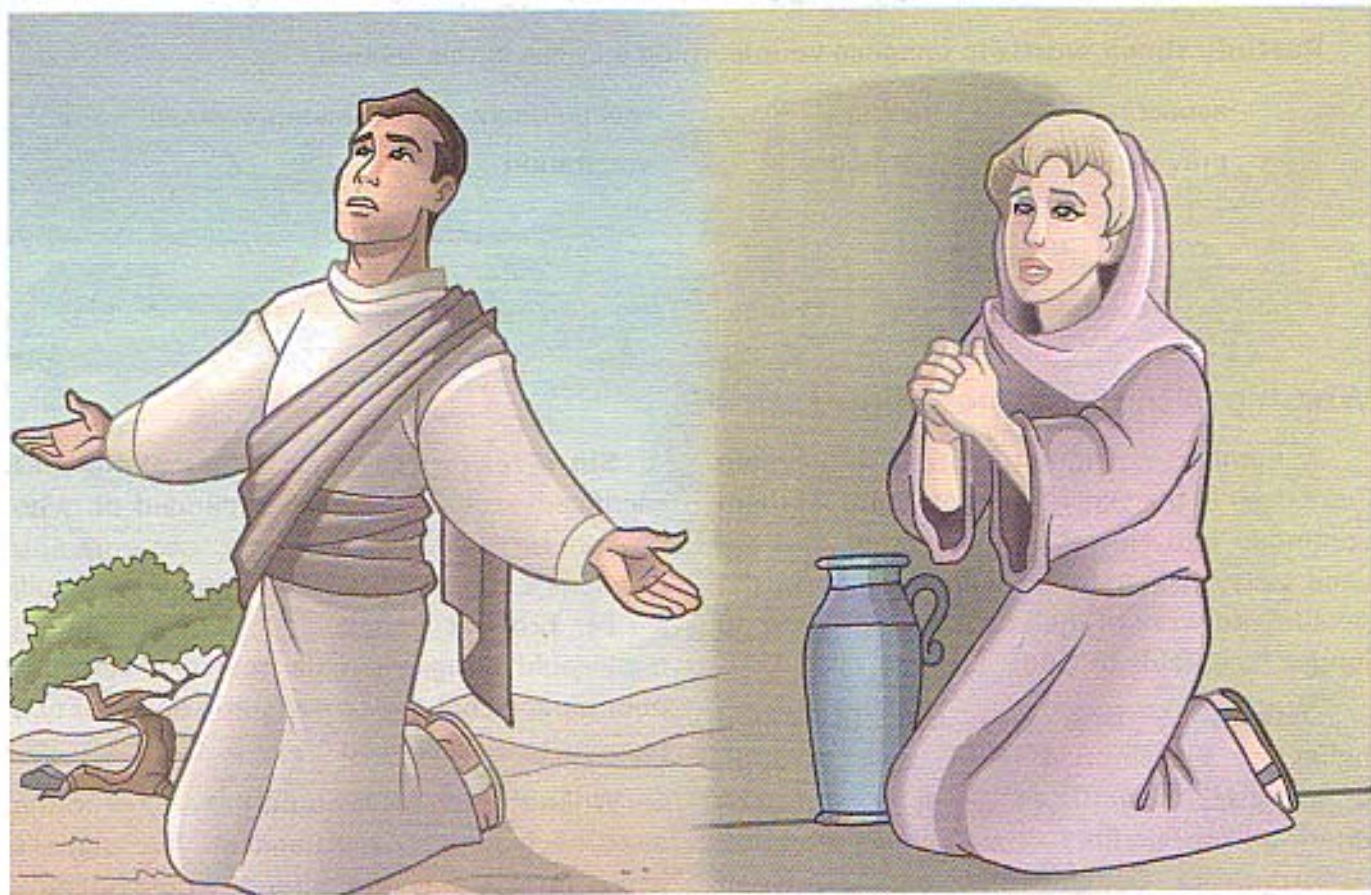


II. FORMS OF WORSHIP



When we have seen the greatness of God and how He has treated us with love, then we want to worship Him. We want to give Him recognition, respect, and honor. To find out how we should worship God, we must read the Bible. The Bible tells us the ways in which both Old Testament and New Testament believers worshipped God. Some of the forms of worship that are found in the Old Testament are not to be used by us today. For example, offering

sacrifices to God was one form of worship practiced by Old Testament saints. However, God does not want us to offer blood sacrifices to Him today as a way of worshipping Him. You will study some of these Old Testament forms of worship. You will also examine other forms of worship that were used in the Old Testament. You will also study forms of worship used in Christian churches today.

Section Objectives

Review these objectives. When you have completed this section, you should be able to:

5. Describe Old Testament forms of worship no longer used today.
6. Describe forms of worship used in New Testament times and today.
7. Describe the forms of worship used in heaven.
8. Explain whether images are acceptable in the worship of God.

Christ as our personal Savior. God's love is not only eternal, but His love has no limits. The Bible teaches in Ephesians 2:4, "But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us." Our minds are unable to fully understand the greatness of God's love as Ephesians 3:19 expresses, it "...passeth knowledge...."

A good word to learn concerning God's love

is **immutable**. *Immutable* simply means *no change*. God's love shows no change at all. In James 1:17, the Bible states, "...with whom [God] is no **variableness**, neither shadow of turning... ." A wonderful comfort is ours when we realize that God's love is not as our love—changing with our feelings. Rather, Romans 8:35–39 tells us *that nothing can separate us from His love.*



Complete this activity.

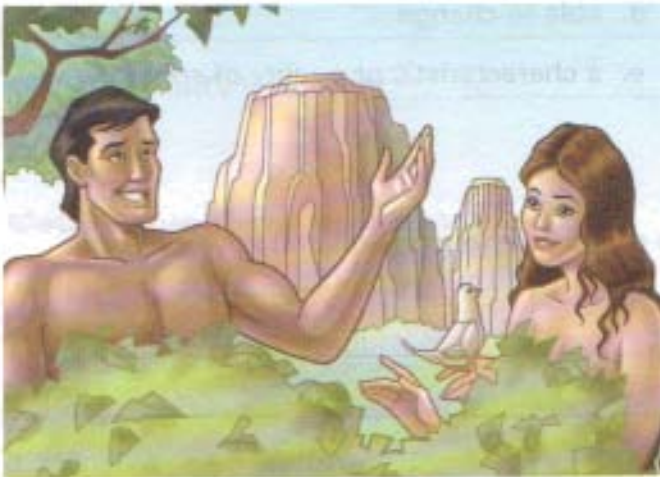
1.1 Make a comparison of two aspects of God's love and man's love.

God's Love

Man's Love

- a. _____
- b. _____

Love: An Expression of God



God's love was expressed generally in creation and specifically in redemption.

Adam and Eve plunged mankind into bondage, separated from God by sin. We are born with natures that desire to follow the world instead of God. God demonstrated His special love in the **ultimate** expression—redemption through Jesus Christ.

In Creation. God's nature of love can be seen in His creation as we behold the beauty of a simple flower. In love God made the world and placed man as the keeper of all creation. God's love gave Adam the very desires of his heart—it even gave Adam his wife, Eve, because he was lonely.

In Redemption. Sin ruined the beauty of God's creation and separated man from God's love, but God's *greatest* love was **manifested** in the redemption of man's soul. Jesus agreed to take your place and mine upon the cross to pay the price for sin. God's love sacrificed His only Son that we might have an opportunity to live eternally with God in fellowship once again. The greatest love story the world has ever known is found in this supreme act of love. God's Word tells us in John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish but have everlasting life." God is love!

SELF TEST 1

Match these items (each answer, 2 points).

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|-------|-------|------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1.01 | _____ | angel of Jehovah | a. Christ's existence prior to His incarnation |
| 1.02 | _____ | Isaiah | b. when eternal God took on human form |
| 1.03 | _____ | Anna | c. Christ in the Old Testament |
| 1.04 | _____ | Jerusalem | d. an attribute of God |
| 1.05 | _____ | pre-existence | e. foretold the virgin birth |
| 1.06 | _____ | Micah | f. foretold Christ's place of birth |
| 1.07 | _____ | Jesus' birth | g. Mary's sister |
| 1.08 | _____ | Bethlehem | h. Zacharias' wife |
| 1.09 | _____ | Elisabeth | i. city of David |
| 1.010 | _____ | eternal life | j. location of the Temple |
| | | | k. a prophetess |

Complete these statements (each answer, 3 points).

- 1.011 Christ's birthday foreshadowed His _____ day.
- 1.012 The first Old Testament prophecy about Christ is found in _____ .
- 1.013 The Lord Jesus came from the tribe of _____ .
- 1.014 Jesus' existence, life, and ministry are _____ .
- 1.015 Zacharias and Elisabeth were the parents of _____ .
- 1.016 Mary learned from _____ that she had been chosen to give birth to Jesus.
- 1.017 Joseph had to return to his hometown of _____ to pay Roman taxes.
- 1.018 When a child was born in Israel, a _____ was to be made to the Lord.
- 1.019 The king who sought to destroy Jesus was _____ .
- 1.020 The Jews living during Jesus' birth desired the Messiah to be a _____ of God, delivering them from earthly rulers.

BIBLE 710: LIFE PAC TEST

Match these items (each answer, 3 points).

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|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 1. _____ attributes of God | a. most important key to growth in Christ |
| 2. _____ justice | b. an obstacle to growth in Christ |
| 3. _____ aspects of grace | c. dishonesty |
| 4. _____ Jesus | d. tried to destroy Jesus |
| 5. _____ Adam and Eve | e. love, mercy, and grace |
| 6. _____ Pharisees | f. most important fruit of the Spirit |
| 7. _____ the Holy Spirit | g. to give someone his due |
| 8. _____ prayer | h. our physical body |
| 9. _____ love | i. eternal and free gift |
| 10. _____ the flesh | j. responsible for the Fall |
| | k. helps believers live a new life in Christ |
| | l. came to bring life abundantly |

Answer true or false (each answer, 2 points).

11. _____ To say that God is omnipresent means that He is all-powerful.
12. _____ To say that God is immutable means that He is stable and unchanging.
13. _____ God's grace must be earned by human beings and is given according to their efforts.
14. _____ In the beginning, work was not a burden to man.
15. _____ The relationship between man and the environment changed after the Fall.
16. _____ The sin of Adam and Eve affected all human life that followed.
17. _____ Psalm 22 describes the suffering of Christ.
18. _____ The Herodians supported Christ's ministry.
19. _____ Once we are saved, we no longer have to worry about the struggle with our flesh.
20. _____ It is important that we try to spend time with God in prayer each day.

Complete these statements (each answer, 3 points).

21. God's _____ mercy is toward those who are believers in Christ.
22. The ground was _____ because of Adam's sin.
23. Jesus Christ is fully a. _____ and fully b. _____ .
24. Jesus endured _____ illegal trials.