

A man in a dark jacket is sitting on a wooden dock, looking out at a calm lake. The background shows a green field and trees under a soft sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

the WONDER *of* WORSHIP

We were created to Worship God and Enjoy Him forever

THE WORSHIP OF A SERVING LIFE

The Worship of a Serving Life

“The kind of worship God is seeking is based on a knowledge of His mercy; involves not just praise from our lips, but as the offering of our whole lives, requiring our very best, and ***is offered with but one goal: bringing God pleasure.”*** Ray Noah

The Worship of a Serving Life

*Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to **offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.** NIV*

The Worship of a Serving Life

How we **define service**:

- **See a need and meet it**; see what needs to be done and do it.
- When we decide to serve others, **we break the control of self-centeredness.**

The Worship of a Serving Life

The *quality of our relationship* vertically (with God) is *directly linked* to the *integrity and sincerity* of our relationships horizontally (with other people).

Matthew 14:13-21

Matthew 14:13-21

13 When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns.

14 When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

Matthew 14:13-21

15 As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”

16 Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

17 “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered.

Matthew 14:13-21

18 “Bring them here to me,” he said.

(In other words, bring me what you have.)

19 And he directed the people to sit down on the grass.

Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.

Big Idea: They did what they knew how to do, trusting that Jesus would do what only He could do.

Matthew 14:13-21

20 They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.

21 The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.



the WONDER *of* WORSHIP

We were created to Worship God and Enjoy Him forever

THE WORSHIP OF
A SERVING LIFE