



Fresh Start - Upward

What is your favorite worship song? Why?

What is worship? Why is it important?

What do The Great Commission (**Matthew 28:18-20**) and The Great Command (**Matthew 22:36-40**) have to say about worship?

Read and Reflect on the following statements:

A deficiency in our worship indicates an insufficiency in our understanding of God.

Having a high view of God is the solution to most of your problems.
-Francis Chan

How does a greater understanding of God deepen our worship?

Read: Ezekiel 1:26-28 Isaiah 6:1

These are just two texts that describe the response of two men in the presence of God.

What sticks out to you about the environment that is described?

What does that tell you about God?

If you were in their shoes, what would your reaction be?

Worship is about magnifying God. What causes us to reduce God to less than He is?

How can you discern if you have reduced God in your thinking?

Why is it dangerous to see God has less than He really is?

Authentic worship makes God bigger to you. How have you experienced this yourself?
What is the effect on you?

How does authentic worship fully express itself in everyday life? What does it look like?

Read: Ecclesiastes 5:1-2

What does this verse mean for us today?

What is the “sacrifice of fools”?

How do you worship God without using words?

As we close, this may be a little uncomfortable, but as a group, take some time to worship God. Feel free to play some music, sit in silence, take communion, or just pray with one another. Leaders feel free to close in prayer after your time of worship is over.