# Jesus, the King has come

Mary's Song of Praise: Luke 1:46-55 December 10, 13-14, 2014: Cam Huxford, Senior Pastor

Worship is the spirit of Christmas.

Worship is the response of an informed heart that is so filled with wonder and gratitude at what God has done that it responds by <u>magnifying</u> the Lord through every means available.

# I. Emulate Mary's <u>Attitude</u> of Worship.

• Worship is <u>internally</u> driven.

## John 4:23-24

- Worship is not primarily <u>outward</u> actions or localized gathering.
- Worship is often intense.

The word glorify means to "make great!"

The word for rejoice there implies an overflowing expression of joy.

• Worship is an expression of <u>humility</u>.

# II. Appreciate the Person Mary Worshiped...<u>God</u> Our Savior.

## III. Celebrate the Motivation for Mary's Worship.

- God has done great things for me. Luke 1:49
- God has done great things for <u>others</u>. *Luke 1:50*
- God has done great things for <u>His own people</u>. Luke 1:52-56

# IV. Take Steps Toward a Spirit of Worship:

- 1. If you're new and don't "get" worship...<u>be patient</u>.
- 2. If you think worship is about pleasing you...<u>re-think</u>!
- 3. If you have children...give them the same gift Mary's parents gave her...a knowledge of God and His word!
- 4. If you love the God you worship...<u>speak up</u>!

Christmas is God's greatest expression of His love for the world...and worship is our expression of love for Him!

# Luke Reading Plan: Week 4

1.	Luke	5:12-16
5.	Luke	6:12-19

2. Luke 5:17-26 6. Luke 20-26 3. Luke 5:27-39

4. Luke 6:1-11

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