



Message



Purpose of the Passion?



'Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshippers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks.' (John 4:23)

God is seeking true worshippers

Titus 2:11-14
1 Peter 2:9-10
Exodus 19:5-6

'In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets...but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son...The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being...'

(Heb. 1:1-3)

God is seeking true worshippers... who worship in truth

'I thought of [praise] in terms of compliment, approval, or the giving of honour. I had never noticed that all enjoyment spontaneously overflows into praise...I think we delight to praise what we enjoy because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment...' (C.S. Lewis)

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'if God would have your joy complete, He must command you to do what will make you infinitely and eternally happy, namely, praise Him. God is the one being in the universe for whom gathering attention for Himself is not arrogant, is not selfish, is not abusive and manipulative, but is love...'

(John Piper)

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'Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.'

(John 4:13-14)

"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.' By this he meant the Spirit...'

(John 7:37-39)

God transforms our worship by the Spirit

'I will sprinkle clean water on you...I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols...I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.' (Ezekiel 36:25-27)

God transforms our worship by the Spirit

Ezek. 36

Rom. 8

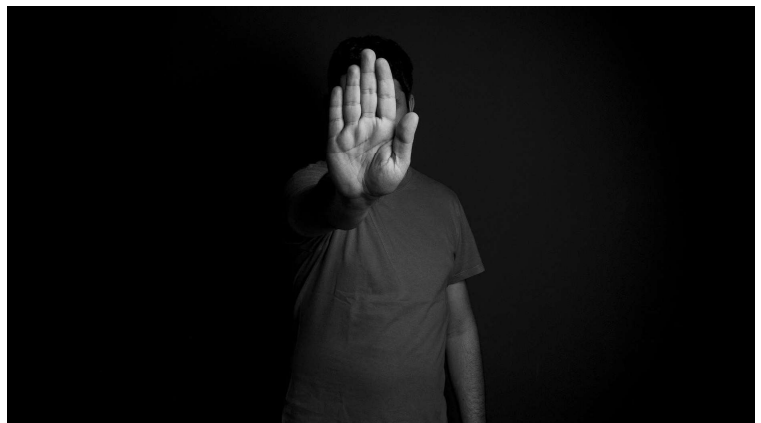
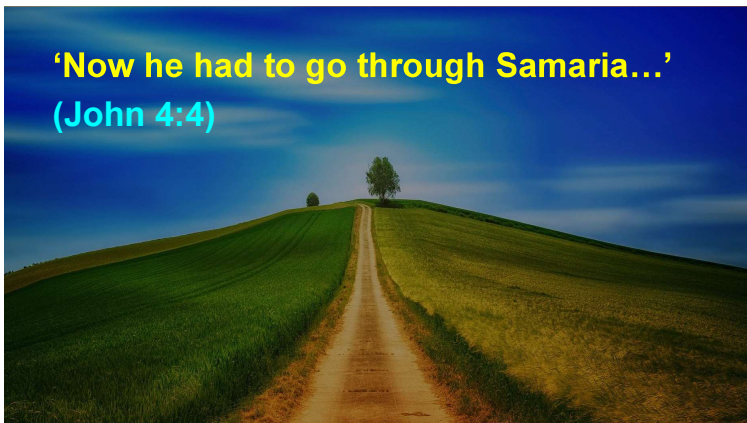
1 Cor. 12

2 Cor. 5 & Rom. 12

God transforms our worship by the Spirit

'Now he had to go through Samaria...'

(John 4:4)



The purpose of the passion...

**Making your joy complete
through true worship**



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