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Big Idea: We are wired to worship, and God alone is worthy of it.

Luke 9:28-36 (NLT)

²⁸ About eight days later Jesus took Peter, John, and James up on a mountain to pray. ²⁹ And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was transformed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰ Suddenly, two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared and began talking with Jesus. ³¹ They were glorious to see. And they were speaking about his exodus from this world, which was about to be fulfilled in Jerusalem.

³² Peter and the others had fallen asleep. When they woke up, they saw Jesus' glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As Moses and Elijah were starting to leave, Peter, not even knowing what he was saying, blurted out, "Master, it's wonderful for us to be here! Let's make three shelters as memorials—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ³⁴ But even as he was saying this, a cloud overshadowed them, and terror gripped them as the cloud covered them.

³⁵ Then a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him." ³⁶ When the voice finished, Jesus was there alone. They didn't tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

Luke 19:36-40 (NLT)

³⁶ As he rode along, the crowds spread out their garments on the road ahead of him. ³⁷ When he reached the place where the road started down the Mount of Olives, all of his followers began to shout and sing as they walked along, praising God for all the wonderful miracles they had seen.

³⁸ “Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven, and glory in highest heaven!”

³⁹ But some of the Pharisees among the crowd said, “Teacher, rebuke your followers for saying things like that!”

⁴⁰ He replied, “If they kept quiet, the stones along the road would burst into cheers!”

- **We are wired for worship.**

Worship happens when you love something so much that you are willing to sacrifice for it and surrender to it.

- **God alone is worthy of it.**

Colossians 1:15-17 (NLT)

¹⁵ Christ is the visible image of the invisible God.

He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation,

¹⁶ for through him God created everything
in the heavenly realms and on earth.

He made the things we can see

and the things we can't see—
such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen

world.

Everything was created through him and for him.

¹⁷ He existed before anything else,
and he holds all creation together.

GROUPS QUESTIONS:

1. What stood out to you most in this week's message, and why?
2. When you think of the word "worship," what comes to mind first? How does the definition of worship as love, sacrifice, and surrender expand or challenge your view?
3. In Luke 9:28-36, the disciples witnessed the glory of Jesus on the mountain. How do you imagine you would have responded if you had been there?
4. Peter wanted to build shelters for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah. What does his response reveal about human tendencies in worship, and how do you see that reflected in our culture today?
5. Luke 19:36-40 shows a crowd publicly praising Jesus while others objected. Why do you think worship often creates tension or pushback, even today?
6. If we are wired for worship and always give ourselves to something, what "idols" or modern equivalents of old gods do you see people sacrificing for? How have you seen in your own life that what or who you worship determines the direction of your life?
7. In what ways does gathering together in public worship help realign our hearts toward God rather than idols?

8. Think of a moment when hardship led you closer to worship instead of further away. How did that experience shape your trust in God?
9. What would it look like for you to place yourself back in the loving arms of the Father?