

06.21.2026
Father's Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TCCO KIDS JUNE SUMMER CONNECT EVENT: All TCCO Kids (birth-5th grade) & their parents/families are invited to join us THIS Wed. 6/24 from 6:30pm-7:30pm at Hunter Park for an evening of fun, games, and intentional time connecting with one another. We will have FREE ice cream treats for everyone! There is also a splash pad for the kids to play in, so please come dressed appropriately and remember a towel. No registration needed. Contact elaine@theconnecting.co with any questions. We can't wait to share this night of summer fun and connection together with all of you!

NO SUNDAY SERVICES on 7/5: There will be no Sunday Services at TCCO on July 4th Weekend. This is an opportunity for us to say THANK YOU to our Dream Team for serving week after week all year long, and to give them all a break. We also highly value the importance of time with family and friends and healthy rhythms of life and rest. So, please plan to use this time to be with your people and go be JESUS and THE CHURCH outside the 4 walls of our church building!

BRIDGING HUNGER SERVE DAY: You are invited to join us in serving our community on Sat. 7/11, 9-10:30am with our local outreach partner, Bridging Hunger. We will be bagging food items to be distributed across Oklahoma, in communities experiencing food insecurity. Arrive 10 minutes early and wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Children are welcome to serve with their parents. Meet at 313 South Franklin Street, Jenks, OK, 74037. To sign-up to serve, or with any questions, contact Sarah Simpson at 918-706-2642 or outreach@theconnecting.co.

ANNUAL DREAM TEAM APPRECIATION PARTY: All TCCO Dream Team members and your families are invited to join us Thurs. 7/30, 6:30-8:30pm at TCCO for our DREAM TEAM ROUND-UP! We have a super fun western themed party planned for you all...a delicious bbq dinner, desserts, games, prizes, music, entertainment, and several fun surprises! Everyone is welcome to come dressed in your favorite western attire, or whatever you are most comfortable in! This event is FREE for everyone who served in any capacity at TCCO in the last year...this is our "thank you" gift to you! Childcare will be provided for 5th grade and under (pizza dinner provided for kids). RSVP using the QR code/registration link provided, by Sun. 7/26. Contact brittany@theconnecting.co with any questions.

COLLECTING BIBLE DONATIONS: 2 women in our TCCO Family own a bakery called Manna Bakehouse. As a part of their business, they feel called to give away bibles to anyone who doesn't have one. They are always in need of donations of gently used or brand new bibles. If you have any to donate, please contact them at Mannabakehouse25@gmail.com. Thank you for helping get God's Word into the hands of as many people as possible!



THE THEOLOGY OF WORSHIP

WEEK 2

“A Living Sacrifice”

Travis Cherry



we exist to
connect people
to Jesus and
each other

“The Theology of Worship”
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What captures our hearts eventually shapes our lives.

What we treasure determines our priorities and eventually directs our actions.

What we honor moves towards us.

What we love will always influence how we live.

Romans 12:1-2 —¹ *I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.* ² *Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

If we start with what we do...worship becomes performance.

If we start with what we prefer...worship becomes consumerism.

If we start with how we feel...worship becomes emotionalism.

If we start with what we get out of it...worship becomes transactional.

3 WORSHIP TRUTHS WE SEE IN ROMANS 12:

1. Worship Is First A Response

What is the “therefore” there for?

If worship begins with obligation...then worship becomes pressure.

If worship begins with guilt...then worship becomes shame.

But if worship begins with mercy...worship becomes our response!

Worship should never begin with our preferences...worship should always begin with God’s mercy.

Worship is what happens when the mercy of God becomes so real to us that we can no longer remain neutral.

Our worship must be built on what God has ALREADY done for us!

2. Worship Is Offering Our Whole Life To God

In the time Paul wrote the words of Romans 12:1-2, every sacrifice the people had ever seen was placed on an altar, cost something, involved surrender, required that something be put to death!

Worship cannot only be a compartment of your life...worship must be the literal orientation and foundation of your life.

Worship is only complete when every part of our lives are truly surrendered to God. If God is not God of everything in your life, He is not REALLY God of your life!

The problem with living sacrifices...is that they keep trying to crawl off of the altar.

3. True Worship Transforms Us

This word conformed literally carries the meaning of “being pressed into a mold...of being shaped...influenced...formed.”

The word transformed is where we get our word metamorphosis...it means a complete change from the inside out.

We will become like who and what we worship.

Worship is not merely expressing affection...it is directing formation.

Transformation happens when truth moves from the head to the heart...when worship begins to reshape our loves...because what you love determines how you live...and what you worship determines who you become.
