# O COME LET US ADORE HIM



**SERMON GUIDE** 

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SERMON NOTES	

OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

#### THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE (Year 2, Week 50)

Gal. 5:22-24 (Godly Living)

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

**S**cripture that stands out to you while you read

Observations about the verse or phrases that stood out to you

Application that connect the verses to your real life and relationships

Prayer that invites God to participate in your life and provide power to follow him

#### **Conversation Questions**

**Note On the Passage:** Our reading today is two passages: John 4:19-26; Hebrews 10:19-26 and 12:18-29. The passage in John's Gospel provides us with a foundational truth regarding true worship. The readings in Hebrews take us "behind the curtain" to show us a little about what is happening spiritually when we draw near to worship in spirit and truth.

#### Read John 4:19-26: Hebrews 10:19-25 and 12:18-29

- What do you love most about what you just read? What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read these scriptures? Is anything jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- O The woman's question about worship reveals that "worship" for her has a lot to do with the location. She's a religious person and associates worship with certain buildings and rituals. Jesus says that the "place" we worship now is "in spirit and truth."
  - What do you think this means? How is this truth impacting you right now?
- O It is because of our union with Christ in the Holy Spirit that we are able to come into God's presence. The readings in Hebrews take us "behind the curtain" to tell us more about what is happening spiritually when we draw near to worship in spirit and truth.
  - What stands out to you most? How is this similar or different from the way that you approach the worship gathering right now?
  - How are these readings impacting the way you will approach private and public worship this week?
- A In the sermon this week, Pastor Tim asserted that "We were created to worship... not just privately, but in the congregation of God's people."
  - Can you see that in these readings? Where?
  - How do you feel about gathering with the congregation to worship as a part of your Christian duty? Does it inspire, challenge, irritate or confuse you? Why?
  - How might your approach to the Sunday worship gathering change in light of your reading today?
    Be specific.
- A If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?
- **P** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.