"THE TRUE WORSHIPPERS WILL WORSHIP"

(John 4:19-24)

INTRODUCTION

(v23-24) "the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth"

"Worship" - the direct acknowledgement to God; extravagant respect; honor; devotion.

(Matthew 4:10; Revelation 22:8-9)

Logically, if there are "the true worshippers," then there may be "the untrue worshippers."

- 1) (Matthew 15:9) "And in vain do they worship Me ..."
- 2) (Acts 17:22-23) "... you are very religious ... the One whom you worship without knowing, Him I proclaim to you."

 (Romans 10:2-3) "they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge ... "
- 3) (Colossians 2:23) "have an appearance of wisdom in self-imposed religion ... "

WHAT DOES "THE TRUE WORSHIPPER" NEED TO KNOW?

1. KNOW THE DISTANCE (DIFFERENCE) BETWEEN GOD AND MAN

Note the phrases in these scriptures as I read them:
(Isaiah 6:1, 55:8-9, 57:15; Ecclesiastes 5:2)
God is not our equal: (Isaiah 6:3, v5)

2. KNOW TO DEPEND ON GOD

(Proverbs 3:5-6; 1 Timothy 4:9-11; Luke 11:1-4; Acts 17:28)

3. KNOW OF GOD'S DEISRE TO BE WORSHIPPED

(John 4:23) "for the Father is seeking such to worship Him" (Hebrews 10:23 - 25) "... not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as in the manner of some ..."

4. KNOW THAT GOD DESERVES TO BE WORSHIPPED

(Exodus 15:11) "Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? ... " (Psalm 150:2; Exodus 4:31; Psalm 139:14; Isaiah 25:1)

5. KNOW GOD'S DIRECTIONS FOR WORSHIP

(John 4:23-24) "... must worship in spirit and in truth" (Psalm 122:1) "I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of the Lord"