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Matt. 22:37-40; Mark 12:28-34





With Heart, Soul, Mind, and Strength

• The Meaning:

- Heart
- Soul
- Mind
- Strength

Matt. 6:2, 5, 16

Matt. 15:8

1st John 4:19



With Heart, Soul, Mind, and Strength

- The Application:
 - This Love is One of Total Commitment

Exodus 20:3-5; 1st Kings 18:21

– This Love Is Genuine

Matthew 23:5, 14



'Worship' Defined

• The Dictionary Definitions:

The reverent love and devotion accorded a deity.

[American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language]

To adore; to pay divine honors to; to reverence with supreme respect and veneration.

[Webster's 1828 Dictionary]

The activity of showing respect and love for a god, for example by singing or praying.

[MacMillan Dictionary]



'Worship' Defined

- Bible Usage:
 - Bowing Down

Daniel 3

– Veneration [Reverence]



'Worship' Defined

- Conclusions:
 - Worship Is A Means of Expressing Our Love for God
 - This, Too, Must Be with All the Heart, Soul, Mind, & Strength
 Malachi 1:13



Giving Our All in Our Worship

A Direct Result/Reflection of Our Love!

- The Quality
- The Sincerity
- The Frequency

Lev. 1:3; 2:11

Jn. 4:23, 24; Psa. 9:1

Psa. 55:17; 104:33



Giving Our All in Our Worship

• The Demand of God:

- It's About Him, Not ME
- He Must Be Glorified
- Reverence

1st Cor. 13:5

Lev. 10:3; Isa. 58:13

Psa. 89:7; Heb. 12:28, 29



Giving Our All in Our Worship

- A Voluntary Act, But Not Self-Defined
 - God Seeks Worshipers; He Doesn't MAKE Us
 - <u>He Established the Manner</u> Jn. 4:23, 24
 - Remembering How Jesus Defined Love

Jn. 14:15

Jn. 4:23