

A photograph of a church service. In the foreground, a woman in a long red dress is kneeling with her arms raised in prayer. Behind her, several women in colorful, patterned vests are standing with their arms raised. To the left, a woman in a similar vest stands near the altar with her arms raised. In the background, a band is playing instruments, and a man in a red dress is kneeling on the right. The church has a wooden altar with a cross and candles. The floor is covered with blue carpeting and some red fabric pieces.

Worshiping

In Spirit and in Truth

**To worship is
to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God,
to feed the mind with the truth of God,
to purge the imagination by the beauty of God,
to open the heart to the love of God,
to devote the will to the purpose of God.**

William Temple



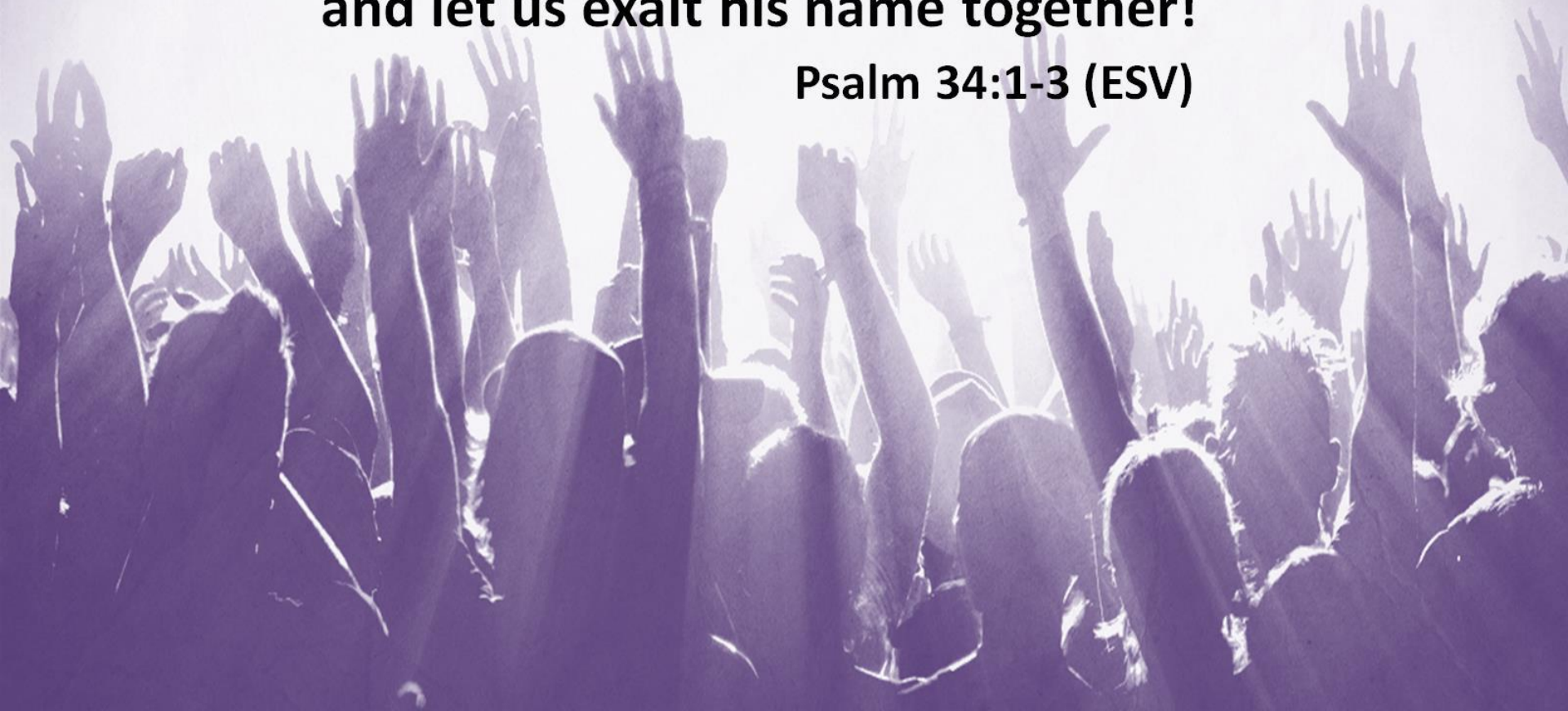
**To worship is
to experience Reality, to touch Life.
It is to know, to feel, to experience the resurrected Christ
in the midst of the gathered community.
It is a breaking into the Shekinah of God,
or better yet, being invaded by the Shekinah of God.**

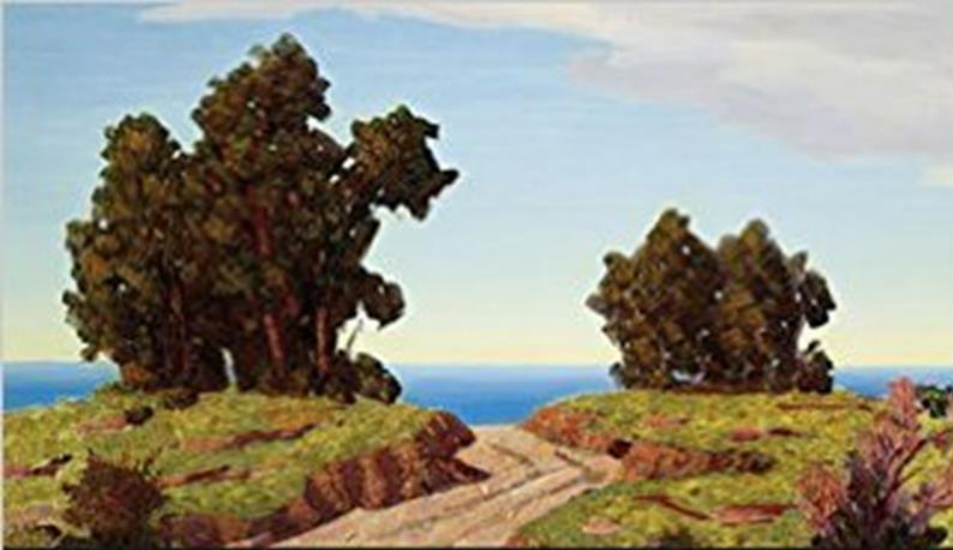
Richard Foster



**I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the LORD,
let the humble hear and be glad.
Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!**

Psalm 34:1-3 (ESV)





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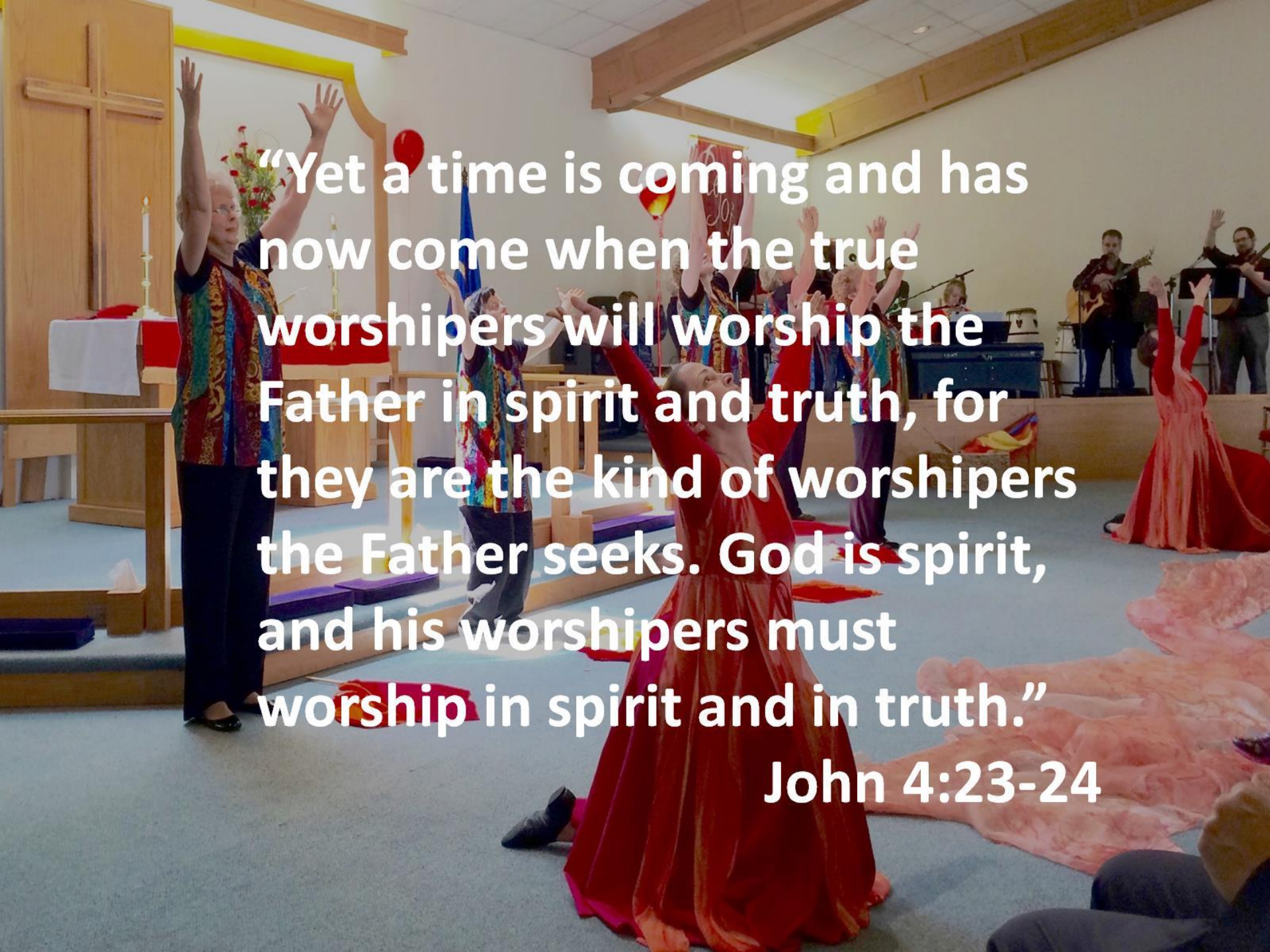
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PATHWAYS

DISCOVER YOUR SOUL'S
PATH TO GOD



God wants to know the real you, not a caricature of what somebody else wants you to be. He created you with a certain personality and a certain spiritual temperament. God wants your worship, according to the way he made you. That may differ somewhat from the worship of the person who brought you to Christ or the person who leads your Bible study or church.

A photograph of a church service. In the foreground, a woman in a long red dress is kneeling on the carpet, her arms raised in prayer. To her left, another woman in a colorful patterned top and dark pants stands with her arms raised. In the background, a band is playing instruments, and other people are visible, some with their arms raised. The church has a wooden altar and a large cross on the wall.

“Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.”

John 4:23-24