

# Worship: It's More Than You Think

## Part 3

**Key Scriptures: Romans 13:1-7; Daniel 4:28-37 (King Nebuchadnezzar's story); Deuteronomy 6:10-12; Acts 5:27-29**

- 1. Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.**
  - If you could invite any historical or current leader to dinner, who would it be, and what would you ask them?
  - What's a small, everyday way you've seen someone live out their faith that inspired you?
- 2. Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.**
  - **Read Romans 13:1-2.** Why does Paul emphasize that all authority is established by God? How does this challenge our natural inclinations toward authority?
  - **Reflect on Daniel 4:28-37.** How does Nebuchadnezzar's experience illustrate God's sovereignty over rulers and kingdoms?
  - **In Deuteronomy 6:10-12,** God warns against forgetting Him during times of blessing. How can we stay mindful of God during times of peace and prosperity?
  - **Read Acts 5:27-29.** What do Peter and the apostles teach us about balancing obedience to God with submission to human authorities?
  - **Romans 13:3-5** talks about rulers as God's servants for good. How should this shape our perspective on governmental systems and leaders, even when they fall short?
- 3. Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.**
  - Share about a time when you had to choose between submitting to authority and standing firm in your faith. What was the outcome?
  - How do you personally wrestle with the idea that God appoints leaders, even those who seem unjust or ungodly?
  - Have you ever experienced God teaching you through unexpected circumstances? What did you learn?
  - In what ways can we actively demonstrate worship in how we engage with or respond to government policies?
  - How can you encourage others in your community to honor God while engaging with societal and political systems?
- 4. Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.**
  - Pray for humility to trust God's sovereignty in appointing leaders and establishing authority.
  - Pray for national and local leaders to seek justice, wisdom, and truth in their governance.
- 5. Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.**
  - This week, commit to one action that reflects worship through your citizenship. This could be praying for a leader, writing to a local official about a justice issue, or finding a practical way to serve your community as an act of worship.