## PIBC Vision Text: Romans 12:1 "OUR ATTITUDE OF SURRENDER IN SERVING THE LORD"

**Mission Statement:** to passionately serve GOD and to compassionately serve others—ALL to the glory of GOD!

The Bible tells us how we are to worship and serve the Lord.

Psalm 29:2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto His name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

We are also how a "true worshipper" of God worships Him...

John 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him.

Q:"What does my worship cost me?" (2 Samuel 24)

Worship that costs is worth	to God
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Q: Does my worship cost me something or am I seeking to worship God in a way that costs me nothing?

Q: Am I coming before God on my terms or His?

Hebrews 4:12 For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

## We must have an attitude of \_\_\_\_\_ —(Romans 12:1) I.

If we are to worship God Biblically we must offer ourselves as a to God.

## Worship Costs us what is Acceptable to

"by the mercies of God" - In light of the wonderful "mercies of God" we must consider this command.

"present your bodies" - God has given us a body to use for His honor and glory. (cf. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

**Romans 6:13** Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto **God**, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto **God**.

"a living sacrifice" – To sacrifice is to give up something of	
When we consider the worship that we are offering up to God, let us ask ourselves a few questions:	
A. Is my worship to God?	
The word "holy" speaks of being set apart. For the Christian it speaks of being set apart for	
Is our sacrifice set apart for God? Does it bring Him glory? Is our sacrifice set apart from sin? Is there a selflessness to it or is if filled with selfishness?	
Is our sacrifice offered with a thankful heart? Or are we begrudgingly going through the motions and therefore seeking to earn God's favor?	
B. Is my worship to God?	
The word "acceptable" speaks of being agreeable or to God. Does God agree with our worship? Does He put His stamp of approval upon it?	
C. Is my worship to God?	
The Greek word translated "reasonable" is logikos. It speaks being rational or	
Is my worship a logical response? Does the type of worship that I offer to God a logical response to all that He has done for me?	
<b>Kenneth Wuest</b> – translation: "I therefore beg of you, please, brethren, through the mercies of God, by a once for all presentation, to place your	

bodies at the disposal of God, a sacrifice, a living one, a holy one, wellpleasing, your rational, sacred service."

## What is my next step?

(Put off) What must I put off that is both hinder my walk with Christ or someone else's?

(Renew your mind) What qualities or Words of Christ must I meditate upon?

(*Put on*) What qualities of Christ must I seek to have as a characteristic of my life?