



WEST END  
BAPTIST CHURCH

# WORSHIP GUIDE

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Although we're not all together this morning, God still calls us to worship Him, and we can always respond to His call with grateful hearts and rejoicing because of what Jesus has accomplished for us in the gospel. This moment that our world's in right now is dark and confusing, but Jesus has overcome the world; He's conquered sin and death, and He assures us by God's Spirit that God is for us and with us always.

Please use this guide with your family and friends and listen to Pastor Rayshawn's sermon at [westendbaptist.net](http://westendbaptist.net)

## | Call to Worship |

*"The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake. Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations. Let them praise your great and awesome name—he is holy. The King is mighty, he loves justice—you have established equity; in Jacob you have done what is just and right. Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool; he is holy."*

Psalm 99:1-5

Take a minute to adore God for His greatness and goodness. Praise Him for His power and strength.

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

## | Prayer of Confession |

Our perfectly holy God, we humbly admit our sinfulness to you. We have not fully kept your commands. We have had impure thoughts and done good with impure motives, and we have not fully extended the same grace to others that you have shown to us. We have allowed ourselves to be molded by the culture instead of letting you use us to impact and awaken the hearts of those around us. Please forgive us and restore us, and give us your perfect righteousness.

## | Assurance of Pardon |

*1 John 4:9-10 "This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins."*

**1 John 4:9-10**

**Here is Love**

## | Sermon |

**ADVOCATES: Truth – How Did We Get Here?**

So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

**Acts 10:24-25**

## | Questions |

Use these questions like a menu; do not feel as though you need to answer them all. Use them to generate discussion.

1. Where do you get your talking points from in the conversations about race and it's presence in our society? Experiences, media, opinions, relationships. How have these things shaped you?
2. What is your response when it comes to engaging conversations about racial division/reconciliation? Fear? Discomfort? Dismissive? Anger? Sadness? Silence? Why?
3. How does facing the truth about racial disunity help us to move towards reconciliation and peace?
4. What does the gospel have to say to those who believe the lie of a false racial superiority, and what does it have to say to those who have been hurt or wounded by the lie of racism and racial inferiority?

## | Giving Thanks |

We close with a desire to let our lives be evidences of the grace and truth that God has shown us, so that other people would give praise to Jesus.

### Oh, How Good It Is

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