

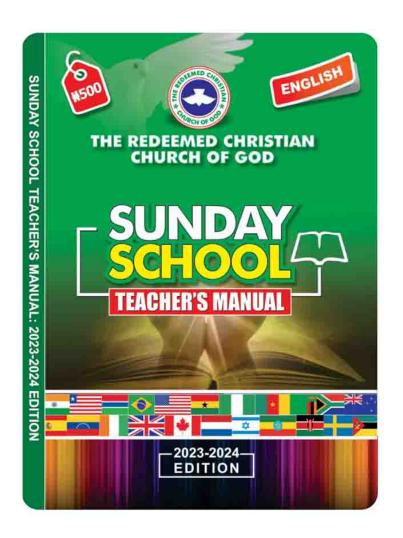
RCCG SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MANUAL 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 LESSON 4

### **Description**

This is RCCG Sunday School Teachers manual 24 September 2023 for the adult class. The Lesson FOUR topic is THE CHRISTIAN WORSHIP.

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# RCCG SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MANUAL 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 (LESSON 4)

**TOPIC: CHRISTIAN WORSHIP** 

Note: Check RCCG SUNDAY SCHOOL HYMN LYRICS

#### **OPENING PRAYER:**

Dear God, teach me how worship You acceptably.

#### PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE:

The teacher should allow the assistant teacher to review the lesson for the previous week.

## **TODAY'S LESSON**

#### **BIBLE PASSAGE: John 4:19-24 (KJV)**

- <sup>19</sup> The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet.
- <sup>20</sup> Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.
- <sup>21</sup> Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.
- <sup>22</sup> Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.
- <sup>23</sup> 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.
- <sup>24</sup> God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

#### **MEMORY VERSE: Psalms 95:6 (KJV)**

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

#### INTRODUCTION

Worship is an act of paying homage that involves deep respect, reverence, adoration, and showing sincere love to a supreme being.

The Almighty God who created us must be worshipped for who He is and not because He needs anything from us (1Peter 2:9).

We are created to show the splendour of God by glorifying Him (Psalms 29:2). Since we are created for worship, it is important we find out the ways to do it to be acceptable by God who commands it.

### **TEACHER'S DIARY**

#### **LESSON AIM:**

To teach the church, how to worship the Lord acceptably.

#### **TEACHING OBJECTIVES:**

Through this lesson, students should be able to:

- a. Understand what Christian worship is.
- b. Know what to put in place to worship acceptably

c. Distinguish between acceptable and unacceptable forms of worship

#### **TEACHING PLAN:**

To achieve the above-stated objectives, the teacher should:

- a. Allow the students to recite the memory verse, read the Bible passage, contribute to the discussion, do class activities and assignment.
- b. Allow the Assistant Teacher to see to the well-being of the class, mark attendance and assignment.
- c. Teach the lesson outlines, summarise, conclude, evaluate the lesson and give an assignment.

#### **TEXT REVIEW: John 4:19-24**

- A. The dialogue between our Lord Jesus Christ and the Samaritan woman is quite enlightening. Her curiosity for truth is something every believer should possess. It records that:
- i. The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet. V19.
- ii. Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ......V20.
- B. Jesus' response to her is an insight into what true Christian worship entails.
- i. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe ............ V21.
- ii. Ye worship ye know not what: we ...... V22.
- iii. But the hour cometh, and ...... V23.
- iv. God is a Spirit, and they ...... V24.

Teachers should fill in the gaps from the passage during the preview exercise.

#### **TEACHING METHOD:**

The Lecture Method.

#### TIME MANAGEMENT:

The teacher should apply the two-lesson outline teaching time.

#### **OUTLINES:**

1. Preparing For Worship

#### 2. Acceptable Worship

#### 1. PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Teachers should highlight the necessary things to put in place while preparing for worship as follows:

#### A. Our heart

- i. Before moving into the external act of worship, there is the need for us to put our hearts in order (Psalm 51:10).
- ii. This is to ensure that hindrances to our worship are off-loaded from our hearts (Romans 12:1-2).
- iii. We must get rid of the "old man" with his deeds- anger, hatred, bitterness and other vices (Colossians 3:8-9).
- B. Reconciliation
- i. There is the need for us to also reconcile with God and man in any area of offence (Matthew 5:23-24; Acts 24:16).
- ii. We need to make restitutions where necessary (Luke 19:8).

#### **CLASS ACTIVITY 1:**

Students should mention other things Christians need to put in place in preparing for worship.

## 2. ACCEPTABLE WORSHIP

- A. Not all worship is acceptable to God (Psalm 15:1-5). There are various forms of unacceptable worship. These include:
- 1. Vain worship: this is based on lip service and not from the heart (Mark 7:6).
- 2. Ignorant worship: it refers to worship without the knowledge of who God really is and how He should be worshipped (John 4:22; Acts 1722-23).
- 3. Will or self-imposed worship: it refers to satisfying personal will and desire instead of carrying out God's instruction (Colossians 2:20-23; Leviticus 10:1-2).
- B. Therefore, acceptable worship must be rendered to God:
- i. In spirit and in truth (John 4:20-24).
- ii. In holiness (Psalm 96:9).

- iii. From a heart "void of offence toward God, and toward men" (Acts 24:16).
- iv. By faith, like the sacrifice of Abel (Hebrews 11:4).

#### **CLASS ACTIVITY 2:**

Students should mention other forms of unacceptable worship one can engage in.

## CONCLUSION: RCCG SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MANUAL 24 SEPTEMBER 2023

The scripture teaches that only God should be worshipped (Exodus 20:1-5) and this should be done in spirit and truth.

#### QUESTION

- \* In what ways should believers prepare for worship?
- \* Mention four things that make the act of worship acceptable to God.

#### **EVALUATION:**

Students should mention three ways to worship God acceptably.

#### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

Father, I receive the grace to worship You acceptably.

## RCCG SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MANUAL 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 ASSIGNMENT

Write five differences between Christian worship and idol worship. (2×5=10 marks).

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