

## Worship or Cursing?

**Revelation 15-16** 

Worship is the response of the <u>faithful</u> to God's judgment.

Cursing is the response of the <u>rebellious</u> to God's judgment.

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## My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

1. Compare the parallel references in Rev. 15 to the Exodus account (Ex. 7-15, 40). See plagues (Rev. 15:1f), crossing the sea (Rev. 15:2), Song of Moses (Rev. 15:3), Tabernacle of the Testimony (Rev. 15:5), smoke filling the temple (Rev. 15:8). Why the parallels?

2. Study the "Song of the Lamb" in Rev. 15:3-4. What is the theme? What is not included? Contrast this response to God's judgment with the response of the people in Rev. 16:9, 11, 21. When God brings consequences into your life due to sin, do you worship or curse him?

3. Read through each of the bowl judgments in Rev. 16. Meditate on them. What will life be like on earth for the people facing these judgments? Does this motivate you to evangelize the lost? Who are you praying for?

4. Most of us have a hard time seeing God as one who will judge people who reject him and cling to their sin. This is certainly understandable. What do you think this says about us as a people?

## Memory Verse

"Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name?" Revelation 15:4a NIV