

Text: **Deuteronomy 12**

**PROPERLY PRESCRIBED WORSHIP**

1. A Place of Worship (Deuteronomy 12:5)

- a) To be sought
- b) Chosen by the LORD

2. Significance of this place of Worship

- a) Out of all the tribes
- b) To put His name for a dwelling place
- c) And there you shall go (Deuteronomy 12:5)

3. Worship

- a) Burnt offerings
- b) Sacrifices
- c) Tithes
- d) Heave offerings
- e) Vowed offerings
- f) Freewill offerings
- g) The firstborn of your herds and goats (Deuteronomy 12:6)

4. Attendant activities

- a) There you shall eat before the LORD your God
- b) You shall rejoice in all which you have put your hand
- c) You and your households (Deuteronomy 12:7)

## 5. Remembering the blessings of the LORD

In which the LORD your God has blessed you (Deuteronomy 12:7)

### **IMPROPER WORSHIP**

#### 1. Present worship practices to cease

a) You shall not at all do as we are doing today (Deuteronomy 12:8)

b) Everyman doing whatever is right in his own eyes (Deuteronomy 12:8)

#### 2. Tabernacle worship

a) In the days of the Wilderness

b) Apparently not all followed what they had been taught

### **LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CHOSEN PLACE OF WORSHIP**

1. They had not entered the Promised Land (Deuteronomy 12:9)

2. It is called “the inheritance” given by the LORD (Deuteronomy 12:9)

### **CROSSING THE RIVER JORDAN**

1. To dwell in the land which God was giving (Deuteronomy 12:10)

2. When God had given them rest from their enemies (Deuteronomy 12:10)

3. And they dwell in safety (Deuteronomy 12:10)

4. The place that God will choose (Deuteronomy 12:11)

a) The place where God’s name would abide (Deuteronomy 12:11)

b) Worship will be offered to the LORD there (Deuteronomy 12:11-12)

## 5. Reminder

- a) Not to offer worship in every place that you see (Deuteronomy 12:13)
- b) Only in the prescribed chosen place (Deuteronomy 12:14)
- c) This is an express commandment of God (Deuteronomy 12:14)
- d) To remember the Levite who serves  
in their midst; he has no portion nor inheritance  
in the Land (Deuteronomy 12:14)