# high school



Lesson 8 / April 28, 2024

# The Right Path

for use as STEP 1

Lesson 8 Focus:

Worship isn't just ceremony, it's a way of life. Lesson 8 Bible Basis:

Micah 6:3-4, 6-8; James 1:22-27 By RLD Editorial Team

Lesson 8 Memory Verse:

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. —Micah 6:8

Students will consider a man who spent his entire life walking uprightly as they explore worship as a lifestyle.

## Materials:

Internet access

Whiteboard and marker (or screenshared document)

Before class, write the following words at the top of the whiteboard (or screenshared document): INTEGRITY, HUMILITY, WORSHIP.

Below those three words, write the following celebrity names: Ye (Kayne West), Taylor Swift, Jeff Bezos (founder of Amazon), and Zendaya (actress).

> Who are some of your favorite celebrities, musicians, public figures, and activists? Why do you like them? (Accept all reasonable answers and write the names students share on the whiteboard or screenshared document along with the existing names.)

Once there are plenty of names listed, read one name aloud at a time. After you read the name, invite teens to respond to the following questions about each person listed.

## 1. Integrity: Does this person exhibit honesty and integrity in all areas of his or her life?

- 2. Humility: Does this person demonstrate humility, or do they appear prideful?
- 3. Worship: Who or what does this person worship?

Accept all reasonable answers for each person. Talk through as many of the names as time allows before moving on to the next questions.

> Do you think the people we listed today live by a code of behavior? If so, how is that code different from the godly characteristics we discussed? (Answers will vary.)

> Do you think living by a biblical standard is important for Christians? Why or why not? (Accept all reasonable answers.)

We can learn a lot about a person by the way they live and by who or what they worship. We can show our identity as believers by the ways we live and worship too. Showing up for a worship service once a week to pay tribute to God can't hold a candle to living a lifestyle of worship on a daily basis. Let's see what God has to say about it.

(Continue on to Steps 2 and 3 in your teacher's guide; your Step 4 appears below.)

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## Materials:

Index cards (1 per student)
Pens/pencils (1 per student)

If your class is meeting online, invite students to bring supplies with them to class. Ask a volunteer to read Micah 6:8. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Micah recorded how to live a worshipful lifestyle.

> What primary elements did Micah list as God's requirements for worshipful living? (To be just, merciful, and humble in our walk with God.)

Refer to the words written on the whiteboard (or screenshared document) in Step 1.

## > Think back to the list of names we discussed at the beginning of class. How did those people's codes of behavior measure up to Micah 6:8? (Answers will vary.)

Distribute supplies (or invite students to have them ready at home). Have your students copy down the three behavior words onto one side of their cards (Integrity, Humility, and Worship). Ask your students to find a spot in the room where they can process and respond quietly.

Ask them to spend some time writing down anything in their lives that falls outside of this code of behavior, as well as any behaviors that fall within the code. Encourage them to continue the positive behaviors and challenge them to ask for God's help to change at least one of the negative behaviors this week in pursuit of a worshipful life response.

Close in prayer.

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