



## WORTHY TO SUFFER?

### I. The Pitfall of \_\_\_\_\_ worship is \_\_\_\_\_ Destruction.

Acts 5:17 (NLT) “The high priest and his friends, who were Sadducees, reacted with violent jealousy.”

Luke 18:10-13 (NLT) “Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, and the other was a dishonest tax collector. The proud Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer: ‘I thank you, God, that I am not a sinner like everyone else, especially like that tax collector over there! For I never cheat, I don’t sin, I don’t commit adultery, I fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.’ But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saying, ‘O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner’.”

### II. The Power of \_\_\_\_\_ Worship is in the \_\_\_\_\_ You Worship.

Acts 5:29-32 (NLT) “But Peter and the apostles replied, ‘We must obey God rather than human authority. The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead after you killed him by crucifying him. Then God put him in the place of honor at his right hand as Prince and Savior. He did this to give the people of Israel an opportunity to turn from their sins and turn to God so their sins would be forgiven. We are witnesses of these things and so is the Holy Spirit, who is given by God to those who obey him’.”

(1) Heroes \_\_\_\_\_ a way for others.

Hebrews 2:10 (KJV) “the captain of their salvation...”

(2) Heroes \_\_\_\_\_ their lives for others.

Acts 3:15a. (NIV) “You killed the author of life...”

Hebrews 12:2 (NIV) “Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith...”

(3) Heroes \_\_\_\_\_ justly.

Acts 5:32 (NIV) “Then God put him in the place of honor at his right hand as Prince and Savior.”

Acts 5:41 (NIV) “The apostles left the high council rejoicing that God had counted them worthy to suffer dishonor for the name of Jesus.”

Acts 5:42 (NIV) “And every day, in the Temple and in their homes, they continued to teach and preach this message: ‘The Messiah you are looking for is Jesus’.”