



QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

When you look at invitations to Christmas parties, how do they make you feel?

When you hear or sing, "O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord," what do you think we are being invited to do?

Why might an invitation to adore Christ feel undesirable or somewhat vague to us?

How do you think worship is generally defined, described, or perceived as for the regular churchgoer?

What is your definition of worship?

Read Psalm 46:10. What is the world warring or striving for? How have we allowed ourselves to take part in this?

If we are to take the context of Psalm 46:10 as a command (not just an invitation) "to stop warring" or "to cease striving," how does this deepen our understanding of what God desires?

Read Matthew 6:33 and contrast it with Psalm 46:10. What can we learn from contrasting these verses?

What modifications in our thinking and living can signify that we are intentionally responding to Christ? How might this demonstrate our adoration to Him? What can change in your life?



Leader's Guide

A Caroling We Will Go 2: O Come All Ye Faithful

OVERVIEW

It is easy for us to sing traditional Christmas carols and see them as mere retellings of the Christmas narrative. Something happens, however, when we consider that these songs may be more than pieces of a musical. O Come All Ye Faithful is more than a narrative; it is an invitation to adore and worship Christ. Is it an invitation we want to accept, one we want to ignore, or even one we're not quite sure how to respond to?

OUTLINE

O Come All Ye Faithful

Psalm 46:10; Matthew 6:33

1. O Come All Ye Faithful is a narrative.

Luke 2:8-20; Matthew 2:1-12

2. O Come All Ye Faithful is an invitation; the question is – is it an invitation we want to accept?

3. We are being invited to adore Christ. A misunderstanding or oversimplification of worship may leave us disinterested in the invitation.

John 4:23-26; Romans 12:1-21

4. The invitation calls for an intentional and active response to God in light of Christ (true worship).

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