

**Discussion Questions for *Moving Toward Genuine Worship***  
**November 22, 2020**

1. Talk through the connection of James 5:19-20, 2 Samuel 11-12, and Psalm 51. In general terms, what is God doing in David's life?
2. What is the connection David makes between forgiveness and joyful singing in v. 14? What is important about this?
3. David makes an interesting request of God in v. 15. "O Lord, open my lips." Why does he make this request?
4. Talk for a moment about the importance of singing, praise, and worship in our lives and the role that repentance and forgiveness play in being able to worship in a genuine way.
5. Look at vv. 16-17. What does David realize is pleasing to God?
6. Why do you think we sometimes want to offer an "external" offering without truly dealing with what is going on inside of us?
7. It seems the point David is making is that once his heart is right before God then his outward offerings will be pleasing to God (v. 19). Why is this important to understand?
8. How does the Lord's Supper help us to take a look at our own heart?
9. How does the death of Jesus help us realize the seriousness of our sin in the sight of God the Father?