

## TRUE NORTH

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***Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness. Psalm 29:1-2***

1. Bob started his message with a healthy dose of church history. Was there any new information or insights you learned concerning the Church and how its history has impacted your faith journey?
2. This season of indulgence can distract us from our devotion to the Lord. What specific traditions or disciplines do you implement during the holiday season to keep your focus on true north? How is this different from the messages we receive from our culture about the holiday season?
3. “Man’s chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.” Our human tendency is to seek glory for ourselves. Give some examples of how mankind does this in subtle and not so subtle ways? Do you personally struggle with the effects of any of these examples?

***Glory – the exhibition of His divine attributes, His infinite perfection, His wondrous deeds and the radiance of His presence.***

4. What feelings and questions does God’s proclamation of himself in Isaiah 42:8 produce for you? How is it an encouragement for you to deny yourself and follow the one true God? (Luke 9:23-24)
5. God’s glory and attributes are clearly displayed in His creation. List some of those attributes and examples from physical creation that point to His glory. How does our physical world bring glory to God? (Psalm 150:6)
6. God’s glory is revealed in His Son. (2 Corinthians 4:6, Hebrews 1:3, Romans 16:27). Shortly before Jesus is arrested, sometime during the Last Supper, he prays for Himself, his disciples and all believers. What does his prayer in John 17:1-5 reveal about God’s glory and Jesus’s glory?
7. God’s glory is reflected in us. Is this statement confusing, comforting, convicting or a combination of all three? Give an explanation for your answer.
8. What are some examples of how mankind has reflected God’s glory? Do you have a specific example of how you’ve witnessed God’s glory through another person’s actions, or through your own?

***Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together. Psalm 34:3***

During services this past weekend, Bob led us in demonstrating what this verse is asking of us. Together, in a progressively louder voice we exalted His glorious name.

9. As you embark on another week, what are 3 specific ways you will glorify the LORD?  
“But as for me, I will always have hope. I will praise you more and more.” Psalm 71:14