

C. Some Basic Concepts in regard to this course:

1. Terms:
 - a. Religion
 - b. Worship
2. Character of Biblical Worship
 - a. Focus
 - b. Implementation
 - c. Unique nature
 - d. Contrast with non-biblical Worship
3. Problems in the work of our study:
 - a. Old Testament criticism
 - (1) The documentary/development hypotheses
 - (2) Society hypotheses
 - (3) Impact on most O.T. writings, research material
 - b. Deity ideologies
 - c. Priestly role in the differing stages of Israel's history and development.
 - d. Character of contemporary literature.
4. Old Testament and New Testament concepts in brief comparison..
 - a. The Old Testament priest as model
 - b. The New Testament priest as fulfillment..

II. THE INSTITUTIONS OF WORSHIP

A. Preliminary Note:

We are not discussing the "institution" of worship (either as a noun or a verb) but the media that facilitates worship. The whole arrangement of God and Man enters into this study. We cannot go into the theological depths of it but the question centers in areas such as this: why does God need man? why is man fearful of the fact of God? what can be done to bring the parties together? how does worship enter into this picture and give us guidance? what sort of worship will effect the best results in this area? While we cannot answer all of these..we will find that the concept of worship is a very big factor in the matter of resolution.