

collection is. It is not even reading of Scripture or prayer. These can be great helps toward worship but they are not really worship. Worship is a spiritual matter. It is a matter of our direct relationship to the Father. A relation which should be a relation in spirit and in truth. You can sit through a beautiful church service --you can hear a wonderful sermon and you cannot be worshipping at all. Worship is not going through forms and ceremonies; worship is a direct relation of our spirit to the spirit of the triune God.

Anything that helps in worship can be worthwhile. There is an article in ETERNITY magazine some months ago, Why Evangelicals Are Turning to the Episcopal System -- or some such term, was on the cover. It told of a number of people from very strong evangelical backgrounds who have now become members of the Episcopal church.

In the Episcopal church, unless they've changed their forms as there is much talk of their doing, the forms and ceremonies were made by Archbishop Cranmer, a wonderful master of the English language, and a great student of the Bible. One can truly worship as one listens to those beautiful prayers, as one hears the lovely music, as one sees representations of wonderful spiritual truth. Unfortunately most of the times when I've ever been in an Episcopal church service, I've gotten the impression most of the people rattled through the prayers and the statements so fast that you wonder if they have any idea what they are saying! I have known a number of men brought up in the Episcopal church who have been converted when they were older and have had a great dislike for the Episcopal church. In some of the cases it is my personal belief that those wonderful words of Archbishop Cranmer which truly expressed the Gospel, had sunk into their hearts as they had heard them as children and as youth, and had prepared them for the message of Christ. But that what those truths signified had not