









FOLLOWERS – LESSON PLAN

Age	Term	Mod.	Module Theme	Module Title	Lesson Number and Title
16	1	2	WORSHIP	History of Worship	70: Orthodox and heterodox worship compared

Use the syllabus framework to complete above. Infants: 20 minutes; Juniors: 30 minutes; Middles & Seniors: 45 minutes
(Mod. = Module Number, Module Theme - in the heading, Module Title - uppercase in the cell, Lesson Num [NO. column] and Title)

							
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Tick the appropriate box(es) above [copy this: ☒] for the modes of learning being used in this session.

Prayer: Trisagion Prayers

Starter: Read together John 4: 1-30 and Revelation 5:6-14 as the background to Fr Thomas Hopko's talk.

Learning objectives:

To understand the difference between Orthodox and non-Orthodox worship as a matter of faithfulness to God's revelation.

Core Activities and Learning

(This lesson compares Orthodox and Protestant worship. (Comparisons with Roman Catholic worship is a more complex matter and not easily dealt in this format, except in so far as Roman Catholic worship is in many places more and more Protestantised).

The Leader researches from this article thoroughly before the lesson: -

<https://blogs.ancientfaith.com/orthodoxbridge/orthodox-worship-versus-contemporary-worship/>

Most of this lesson will be taken up with an analysis of Orthodox and non-Orthodox worship in a comparative manner but with reference to Scripture and Tradition (as indeed the blog treats it).

Play this audio to the students (17 minutes). The late Fr Thomas Hopko compares Protestant and Orthodox worship.

<https://youtu.be/4bTFRB7atNM>

Ask the students: -

1. Their reaction to Fr Thomas's talk.
2. To share their experience (if any) of the worship of other churches (maybe on the TV or at school if they have always been Orthodox).
3. Conduct a discussion on these issues using the audio and the blog as the Leader's resource.

Resources: Laptop for the audio

Review: God has laid down in the Scriptures and the Tradition the pattern of our worship.

Follow Up: Be sure to attend the Divine Liturgy regularly, to confess regularly and to receive Holy Communion regularly.