



## Bull's-Eye

Tupos Student Ministries  
Wednesday Night Live – January 11, 2012

**Video** = "We Are Here" (Igniter Media, Vol 9, 1:56)

**Read Psalm 25:1-22** (Msg)

**Psalm 25:12** = "My question: What are God-worshippers like?  
Your answer: Arrows aimed at God's bull's-eye." (Msg)

### I. Shooting On Target

#### a. What Is A Bull's-Eye

- i. "Bull's Eye" = where's that phrase come from?
- ii. "Early on, when hunting instruments were crude and easily damaged and difficult to make, one-shot kills were not just a luxury. To make an absolute kill one could place an arrow or similar weapon into the eye socket of a large animal. This would easily enter into the brain and dropping the animal where it stood. To practice this, targets were sometimes painted with an eye of a bull (<http://www.answerbag.com/>)
- iii. It comes from the Latin "bulla" which means root or small round object. The bull's eye is the eye of the target. It means literally the bull's eye, sweet and also round. (<http://www.answerbag.com/>)

#### b. How To Shoot A Bull's-Eye

- i. Wanna be a great shot? Here's some tips I found online (<http://www.bullseyepistol.com/nratips.htm>):



1. Know the program
  2. Check your equipment
  3. Guns & ammo
  4. Know the rules
  5. Work on your technique
- ii. Ok... now, can we do it? (Eric = bow and arrow with target illustration)

### II. Living On Target

#### a. Getting To Know Psalm 25

- i. "Psalm 25 is a psalm of lament. But in the middle of his sorrow, David petitions the Lord to forgive him... make(s) the psalm unique. The psalm is an acrostic, with one poetic line for each successive letter of the Hebrew alphabet." (Compact Bible Comm, pg 364)

#### b. Is That Your Final Answer

- i. A very important question is asked & answered here:
- ii. The Question = "My question: What are God-worshippers like?" (who are the serious followers?)
- iii. The Answer = "Arrows aimed at God's bull's-eye"

#### c. Aiming For God's Bull's-Eye

- i. God's bull's-eye = "He will show them the path they should choose." (v. 12, NLT)
- ii. How do I aim for His bull's-eye?
- iii. Let's go back to our tips for shooting a bull's-eye:
  1. Know the program = Know where God has placed you and be ready to serve there! (grow where you are planted)
  2. Check your equipment = know that you are not alone (your equipment to serve God includes your Bible, your church family, your ministers, etc)
  3. Guns & ammo = ammo to serve God?
    - a. 1 Peter 3:15 = "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have." (NIV)
  4. Know the rules = Study God's Word (spend time actually getting to know God's Word)
  5. Work on your technique = Find your routine for spending time with Jesus (morning/etc?)



#### d. Missing The Mark Sometimes

- i. We will miss in our aim at times! Fail God. Fall flat on our faces! Feel broken.
- ii. "Brokenness is the bow from which God launches the arrows of healing." (Twitter, @louiegiglio, 1/6/12)
- iii. So... what happens when I hit God's bull's-eye?

### III. Bull's-Eye = Living Audacious

#### a. A God-Worshiper Is Audacious

- i. What does "Audacious" mean again?
  1. Audacious = "daring, bold, brave, overconfident, risky"
- ii. Four parts to this being audacious = "Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong." (1 Cor 16:13, NIV)

#### b. A God-Worshiper Aims Accordingly

- i. When shooting arrow you need to aim
- ii. That means checking your surroundings (look back)
- iii. Let's look back:
  1. How did we do in 2011?
  2. What did you learn? Review?
  3. Were we (Tupos SM) on target?
- iv. I want to know how we did (Students share) so we can aim better for God's Bull's-Eye!

#### c. A God-Worshiper Let's Go (Fire!)

- i. This year... let go and let God!
- ii. How Am I Going To Be AUDACIOUS For Christ This 2012? (Handout activity = fill out paper)



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## Tupos Student Ministries Small Group Life Application Sheet



Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2012

Lesson Theme: True Worship

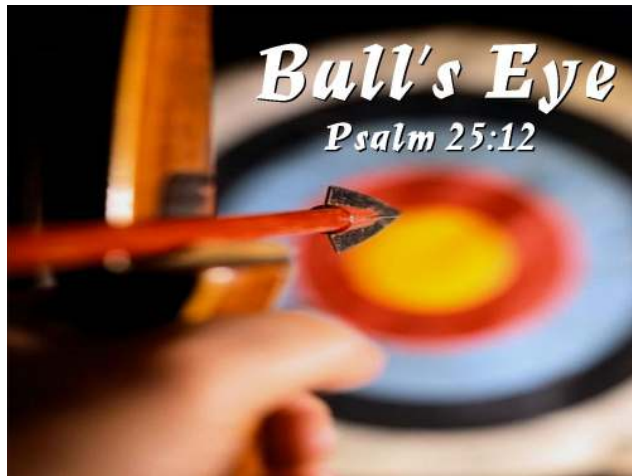
Lesson Objective: This Scripture speaks for itself; asking this question about what God-worshippers are like? Tonight we will discover together how to be "arrows" aimed at God's bull's-eye... how to live on target.

Lesson Text: **Psalm 25:12** = "My question: What are God-worshippers like? Your answer: Arrows aimed at God's bull's-eye." (Msg)

#### Discussion Questions:

1. How you ever shot a bull's-eye with an arrow? Describe how to actually do it right and hit the mark.
2. What could you do tonight to aim better for God?
3. Finish this sentence: Being "on target" with God means...

Prayer Time: Spend some time on your knees together asking God to help you to be an arrow pointed directly at His bull's-eye!



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**I. \_\_\_\_\_ On Target**

a. What Is A \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

b. How To \_\_\_\_\_ A Bull's-Eye



**II. \_\_\_\_\_ On Target**

a. Getting To Know \_\_\_\_\_

b. Is That Your \_\_\_\_\_ Answer

- The Question = \_\_\_\_\_
- The Answer = \_\_\_\_\_

**c. \_\_\_\_\_ For God's Bull's-Eye**

- God's bull's-eye = "He will show them the path they should choose." (v. 12, NLT)

• Tips for shooting a bull's-eye:

- i. \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. \_\_\_\_\_
- iv. \_\_\_\_\_
- v. \_\_\_\_\_



**d. \_\_\_\_\_ The Mark Sometimes**

- "Brokenness is the bow from which God launches the arrows of healing." (Twitter, @louiegiglio, 1/6/12)

**III. Bull's-Eye = Living \_\_\_\_\_**

a. A God-Worshiper Is \_\_\_\_\_

b. A God-Worshiper \_\_\_\_\_

- How did we do in 2011? Were we on target?

c. A God-Worshiper \_\_\_\_\_

- How am I going to be audacious for Christ in 2012?

