



DELIGHT IN THE LORD: GET A GOD'S EYE VIEW!

OBJECTIVE: Ladies will learn that through a life-style of worship we attain God's perspective on our circumstances.

SCRIPTURAL EMPHASIS: Rom. 12:1 Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in VIEW of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – which is your spiritual worship.

DECORATIONS: Decorate with items that shift your perspective such as eyeglasses, binoculars, telescopes, magnifying glasses, even microscopes.

FAVOR: Print attached sheet on white cardstock. Cut out each circle and glue graphic to underside of small magnifying glass so face and verse show through. Glue magnet onto back.

NAME TAGS: Run off copies of the name tag sheet. Cut out the name tags and, to add a touch of humor, glue mini googly eyes on the graphic.

SKIT: See attached skit – The "Honey-I-Shrunk-the-Kid" Glasses.

MIXER: Divide ladies into groups. Have them discuss among themselves how they view life, answering the question, "Are you a microscope person or a telescope person?" Or have the ladies discuss how God's view is like a view from an airplane. He has the "big picture." Ask them to relate a time that He shared the "big view" with them.

MUSIC: Try to allow some time for worship that truly extols the Lord for who He is, the One who is high and lifted up: "Holy, Holy, Holy," "Holy Ground," "Majesty," "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise," "Open Our Eyes," "Open the Eyes of My Heart," "We Fall Down," "Lord Most High," "He is Exalted," and "We Will Worship the Lamb of Glory" and "I Stand Amazed" by Dennis Jernigan. Also "Moment Made for Worshipping" by S.C. Chapman.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT: Could use Tommy Tenney's book *God's Eye View* as a devotional basis. Encourage ladies to look at things that happen in their everyday lives from a godly perspective. In this way we train ourselves not to react from a lowly human viewpoint but to look down and respond from a heavenly one. Our mountains turn into molehills and tragedies to triumphs. Life-changing worship not only shrinks our troubles, but magnifies our God so that we lift our hands in worship to our heavenly Father and, as in the hymn "Higher Ground," we say, "Lord, lift me up where I belong."

MENU: Food that isn't what it "looks" like – "veggie" lasagna, "fruit" salsa, cream cheese based "fruit" or "veggie" pizza, "dirt" cups, Mississippi "mud" pie, **etc.**