



Back 2 Basics – Part 6a Worship

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Text

Ps100:4 "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and a thank offering and into His courts with praise! Be thankful and say so to Him, bless and affectionately praise His name!"

Ps 100:4 "Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name." (NLT)

What is Worship?

Strong's Dictionary definition (New Testament):

- to *kiss*, like a dog *licking* his master's hand);
- to *fawn* or *crouch to*, that is, (literally or figuratively)
- *prostrate* oneself in homage (*do reverence to, adore*)

*to love God intimately above all things*: worship begins in the heart and has to flow through to all our deeds.

*To declare this love freely to God*: we have to be in love with God and act like we are.

*To use my whole body, all my talents and all I have to honour God*: it is a lifestyle – to glorify God in all I do (1Cor10:31).

*To give thanks and to declare love and reverence to God*

*To sing and dance to His glory*: singing songs to His glory when we are alone or with other believers



*To choose to praise and glorify God:* true worship takes place when we don't feel like it, when circumstances are pressing and we have to choose to recognize God's goodness and His character.

To trust God - Heb 11:6 "And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him." (NLT)

How are we supposed to worship?

Sing - Ps 30:4 "All you saints! Sing your hearts out to GOD! Thank him to his face!"

Shout - Ps 95:1 "Come, let's shout praises to GOD."

Noise – Ps. 66:1 "Make a joyful noise unto to the Lord." (AMP)

Laugh - Ps 126:2 We were filled with laughter, and we sang for joy.

And the other nations said, "What amazing things the LORD has done for them."

<sup>3</sup>Yes, the LORD has done amazing things for us! What joy" (NLT)

Standing – Ps 134:1 "A Song of degrees. Behold, bless ye the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD, which by night stand in the house of the LORD" (KJV)

*Kneel* - Ps 95:6 "Come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the LORD our maker,"

Clapping your hands – Ps 47:2 "Come, everyone! Clap your hands! Shout to God with joyful praise!"

Dance - Ps 149:3 "Praise his name with dancing, accompanied by tambourine and harp." (NLT) "Let them praise his name in the dance. ..." (KJV)

Lifting up of hands- Ps 134:2 "Lift up holy hands in prayer, and praise the LORD" (NLT)



Music - Ps 150:1-6 <sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heaven! <sup>2</sup>Praise him for his mighty works; praise his unequalled greatness! <sup>3</sup>Praise him with a blast of the ram's horn; praise him with the lyre and harp! <sup>4</sup>Praise him with the tambourine and dancing; praise him with strings and flutes! <sup>5</sup>Praise him with a clash of cymbals; praise him with loud clanging cymbals. <sup>6</sup>Let everything that breathes sing praises to the LORD! Praise the LORD!

Praise reveals on the outside what is happening on the inside.

- Praise invites God to make your day.
- Praise puts God to work
- Praise is seeking God. Worship is being found by Him.
- Praise is our building, a house for God. Worship is God moving in.

The levels of worship

Todah (Towdaw) "To praise" - to give thanks to God – by declaring to Him that he is the only one and that we want to be with Him.

Yadah "To confess" - use (that is, hold out) the hand; revere or worship (with extended hands) – to relinquish control over your body and thoughts – very similar to Todah

Halal "To praise – to be clear (originally of sound, but usually of color); to shine; hence to make a show; to boast; and thus to be (clamorously) foolish; to rave; causatively to celebrate

Shabach "to glorify" – "address in a loud voice." In 'n voice of victory

Zamar "to sing" - to touch the strings of parts of musical instruments. To worship God through song and music

Barak – "to bless" - to kneel – this is the beginning of God's response in worship. It is here where we wait upon God to do something.

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Tehillah - "To praise from the heart and spirit." *laudation*; specifically (concretely) a *hymn*: - praise.

I Kor14:15 "Well then, what shall I do? I will pray in the spirit and I will also pray in words I understand. I will sing in the spirit, and I will also sing in words I understand" (NLT)