

The Spiritual Habit of Worship

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There are so many things that worship IS and IS NOT.

John 4:24 “God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

Biblical worship is:

1. A Purposed Pursuit

Genesis 22:1-5

To worship God in spirit and truth, is to hold nothing back from Him.

To worship God in spirit and truth is to present ourselves to Him as living and holy sacrifices (Rom. 12:1)

Every day we are faced with the choice of who or what we will pursue.

Practically speaking, don't wait for worship to “happen”. Make a conscious choice to worship and you will experience the blessings described throughout scripture. (the Psalmist!)

2. Profoundly Personal

Isaiah 6:1-8

Be careful not to associate worship with the externals. True worship is internal (spirit)

Take this reminder with you as you ready your heart and roll up to your next corporate worship gathering. The externals do matter, but they are not the essence. They need not rule the day. Whether your corporate context is wonderfully conducive to what moves you most, or grates against all your personal preferences, the heart of worship need not be hindered — because the heart of worship is the heart. — David Mathis, desiringGod.org

Walking daily with the Lord will produce a life of worship. You will have a song to sing!

Salvation is a relationship – an abiding union...an intimacy like no other – with Jesus Christ. This can hardly hide itself.

The more you know Jesus, the more you love Him, and the more you love and know Him, the more you worship Him and it continues on and on. — Dennis Watson

3. Perspective Perfecting

Who or what are you looking to for hope and security?

Who or what are you looking to for direction and purpose?

Psalm 57:2 I will cry to God Most High, to God who accomplishes all things for me.

Psalm 57:4 My soul is among lions; I must lie among those who breathe for fire,

Psalm 57:7 My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast! I will sing, yes, I will sing praises!