

Preparing to Worship

SPIRITUAL STEPS

What is the big picture regarding worship?

1. Battle is for worshipers.

- Devil's ultimate plan – to be worshiped in Jerusalem.
- Father God is seeking for worshipers.
- Worship is the big picture. From it flows everything.

You have to see the big picture and the importance of your call.

2. The reality

Worshipers are what God is seeking. It's good to know that God is seeking.

(John 4:23)

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such to worship Him.

(John 4:23) Message

That's the kind of people the Father is out looking for: those who are simply and honestly themselves before him in their worship.

- Father told Jesus – tell them this is what I am after.
- Tell them you made this possible.
- Tell them everything has been building toward this.
- Tell them they will find life at it's fullest when they worship me.

3. We have to know where the church is heading

- It's heading toward what God is seeking.

There will come a mighty collision in the spirit realm when the seeking Father finds a worshipping Church.

- Our destiny is set – God has made it clear.
- The church is headed toward intimacy.
- He seeks worshipers who reflect His nature – that's the only thing worthwhile for Him to seek.
- Your priority especially as a worshiper is to reflect the nature of Christ through your life and your talent. Your instrument is an extension of your heart for God.

CURRENT INSIGHTS / TRENDS

A) Know the season in which you live.

- Be spiritually in tune with the current move of God in the earth regarding worship. Read everything you can about worship and what God is doing through others today.

B) Every reformation/revival /restoration requires a new level of worship.

- The more we know Him as He progressively reveals Himself the greater response with worship.

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- The end time revelation of God will respond with the greatest worship the earth has ever given. How does God want to be worshiped (valued) at

C) God is working through a young generation

- 24 hour worship- forerunner to the real thing / spontaneous worship.
- Massive outpouring of the Holy Spirit resulting in entire communities experiencing salvation and healing & miracles.

D) Worship linked with personal and corporate revival

- Worship / revival / souls

PRACTICAL STEPS

A) Thanksgiving – salvation

B) Praise – Word

C) Prayer

- Pray as a team for revival in your own lives as a result of God's Word according to Psalm 119:25. This will cause a genuine joy in the team according to Psalm 85:6. You cannot ask others to be joyful without yourselves along with the leadership leading the way.
- Remember Pastor's job is to get the people to rejoice through teaching them the Word.
- Your job is to rejoice as a result of the Word and then demonstrate it as thanksgiving, praise and worship.
- Know the vision of the church; pray over it until you see it then by faith walk into it with your gift.
- Every team member should spend at least 15 minutes reading God's Word daily with a thankful heart.
- Team should have specific prayer objectives in line with vision of church and varying according to pastor's directive.

D) Spirit of humility and servant-hood is necessary

- Your role is to first serve God first with worship. That's a sobering thought. If this is not your priority on a Sunday you are in the wrong ministry.
- This sets a standard of order in the church and from it flows honour to your leadership. In this environment glory manifests and people are transformed.

E) Worship – obedience

- Consider it a privilege to do whatever you are asked to in the church

Every agenda in the local, no matter how noble, that excludes worship will never have God's approval..... End!