

Worship 5: The How of Worship

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How do we worship?

We must worship in Spirit and truth or reality (John 4:24).

We cannot walk in darkness and have fellowship with the One who is in the light.

The normal attitude of a believer in prayer is that of a worshiper who has turned to God with all his heart.

Bishop Westcott's son said of him, "In his final years, my father obviously lived in two worlds at once. Whilst his feet were set in the earth, his spirit was in the presence of God. Everything that came to him was met in that presence. Nothing could ever surprise him from that attitude."

Group prayer is wonderful, but you must never neglect aloneness with God.

You should not wait until your quiet time to deal with unconfessed sin. Sin should be dealt with immediately.

We come with dependence on the Holy Spirit. He is going to draw out your heart in worship. There must be that total unceasing dependence on the Holy Spirit at all times.

We enter our closet, shut the door behind us, and we are alone with our Lord. We kneel, close our eyes, and concentrate all of our attention and affection on the Lamb of God. We are alone, on our knees, forgetting all else in order not to forget Him.

Express your ascriptions of worth audibly. Pray aloud.

You are pouring out your heart to the One you love. You are actually cultivating your love for Christ in worship.

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In worship you are completely occupied with the One you love. You are unmindful of self or anyone or anything else.

This is essential in true worship.

Even a small child only 3 and a half years old must learn one thing, that she was created to worship God. She must never forget it. What music to a father's ears and what music to the Lord's ears.

Tiredness can be an enemy to true worship.

You may know the "how" of worship, meet the conditions of worship, but somehow you're not getting through. Somehow it isn't real.

6 Hindrances to Worship

- 1) An Unsurrendered Heart
- 2) Unconfessed Sin
- 3) Wrong Attitude
- 4) Unbelief
- 5) Enemy Opposition
- 6) Physical Tiredness

How wonderful it will be in eternity!

Our service will be beholding Him; it will be worship.

His slaves shall worship Him and they shall see His face.

Dear King David will at last have his desire.