

How Should I Worship God?

The topic of worship and praise is a very crucial topic. Many people do not realize the importance of giving God praise or they do not fully understand how to give God praise. This lesson is going to be on how to worship and give praise unto God according to the scriptures.

Worship is an expression of reverence and great adoration for God.

Praise is the expression of respect and gratitude toward God.

John 4:23-24 (Jesus speaking)

23 But the hour cometh, and **now is**, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Here Jesus reveals to us how we are to worship. That being in spirit and in truth. Jesus also reveals to us that this is what the Father is seeking from us. For **God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.**

Matthew 4:10

10 Then saith Jesus unto him, **Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.**

We are reminded by Jesus that we are to only worship and to serve the Lord our God!

Luke 19:35-40

35 And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.

36 And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.

37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, **the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice** for all the mighty works that they had seen;

38 Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

39 And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples.

40 And he answered and said unto them, **I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.**

A couple of things to notice here. First that we just read that Jesus told satan that we are to only worship and to serve the Lord our God! Yet here we see that Jesus allowed the people to praise and worship Him. The answer of why? Jesus is God. For He is Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. (Mt 1:23) For God was manifest in the flesh. (1 Tim 3:16) To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself. (2 Cor 5:19)

We were shown a clear example of how to worship and give praise unto God here. **The whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice. Their praise was exuberant!!!! It was not dead praise. It was not quiet speaking. It was lively and cheerful!!!! They were EXCITED!!!!!!**

When the Pharisees told Jesus to rebuke the disciples.... The Lord Jesus Christ proclaimed, **I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.**

The Greek word for cry in use:

2896. krazo, krad'-zo; a prim. verb; prop. to "croak" (as a raven) or scream, i.e. (gen.) to call aloud (shriek, exclaim, intreat):--cry (out).

Again, just as the disciples rejoiced and praised God with a LOUD voice, the Lord made it clear that if they should stop the stones would CRY OUT!!!!!! This is the Lord of Glory!!!!!! Not a football game!? Not a sporting event!? Not some form of carnal entertainment! But the Creator of the Universe!!!!

Matthew 21:14-16

14 And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them.

15 And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, **and the children crying in the temple,** and saying, Hosanna to the son of David; they were sore displeased,

16 And said unto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, **Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?**

The Greek word in use here for crying is the same as was above for the word cry. They were full of joy!!! Over the mighty and wonderful works of the Lord!!!!

Jesus said they had perfected praise!! We should be excited about the Lord!!! We should be overwhelmed with joy that He died on the cross for us!!!! We should be ecstatic about the grace and mercy He has extended to us!!!!

O Make A JOYFUL NOISE unto the LORD!!!!

Psalms 100:1-5

- 1 A Psalm of praise. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.
- 2 Serve the LORD **with gladness**: come before his presence **with singing**.
- 3 Know ye that **the LORD he is God**: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; **we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**
- 4 Enter into his gates **with thanksgiving**, and into his courts **with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.**
- 5 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations. (Even this one that we live in)

Colossians 3:16-17

- 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly **in all wisdom**; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.
- 17 And **whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus**, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

We are to sing and to make a joyful noise unto the Lord!!

1 Peter 2:3-5

- 3 If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.
- 4 To whom coming, as unto **a living stone**, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,
- 5 **Ye also, as lively stones**, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

Matthew 22:32

32.....God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

Does anybody out there have Spiritual Life????? Then lift up your voices with a

shout unto the Lord!!!! Is He not worthy????? O Praise God with a LOUD voice!!!

Some people will try to find a way to pass off the praising of God by saying there is a time and a place for everything. I am here to tell **you** the time to praise God is always!!!!

Philippians 4:4

4 **Rejoice** in the Lord **alway**: and again I say, **Rejoice**.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-19

16 **Rejoice evermore**.

17 Pray without ceasing.

18 **In every thing give thanks**: for **this is the will of God** in Christ Jesus **concerning you**.

19 Quench not the Spirit.

Hebrews 13:15-16

15 By him therefore **let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually**, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.

16 But to do good and to communicate forget not: for **with such sacrifices God is well pleased**.

Not only do we offer up a sacrifice of praise to God with our voices, but we also raise our hands unto the Lord. The lifting up of your hands to the Lord is an act of love and of submissiveness! A yielding up of yourself to the King!!!

Psalms 141:1-2

1 A Psalm of David. LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.

2 Let my prayer be set forth before thee **as incense**; and **the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice**.

O bless God with some Praises Worthy of a KING!!!!!!

Psalms 47:1-2

1 **O clap your hands, all ye people**; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

2 For the LORD most high is terrible; **he is a great King over all the earth**.

God is looking for people who love Him and appreciate Him with all of their hearts. Listen again to the greatest commandments:

Mark:12:28-31

28 And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all?

29 And Jesus answered him, **The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:**

30 And thou **shalt love the Lord thy God with **all thy heart**, and with **all thy soul**, and with **all thy mind**, and with **all thy strength**: this is the first commandment.**

31 And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt **love thy neighbour as thyself**. There is **none other** commandment greater than these.

Does anybody have a dance in them for the Lord????

Psalms 150:1-6

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise **him in the firmament of his power**. (This would include the lifting up of your hands.)

2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him **with the sound of the trumpet**: praise him **with the psaltery and harp**.

4 Praise him **with the timbrel and dance**: praise him **with stringed instruments and organs**.

5 Praise him **upon the loud cymbals**: praise him **upon the high sounding cymbals**.

6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

PRAISE THE LORD!!!!!! Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD!!!!!!

2 Samuel 6:14-15

14 And **David danced before the LORD with all his might**; and David was girded with a linen ephod.

15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD **with shouting**, and with the sound of the trumpet.

2 Samuel 6:5

5 And David and all the house of Israel played before the LORD **on all manner of**

instruments made of fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.

1 Chronicles 15:16

16 And David spake to the **chief of the Levites** to appoint their brethren to be the singers with instruments of music, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding, **by lifting up the voice with joy.**

Luke 6:22-23

22 Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.

23 **Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy:** for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.

Does anybody out there feel like leaping for the Lord?? Anybody out there feel like rejoicing in the Lord???

Remember, we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. **The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.**

For us to partake of what God has asked of us, we need to be more than hearers of the Word, we need to be doers of the Word.

Again, this is how we worship God. We give Him worship through our singing unto Him, the lifting up of our hands unto Him, the lifting up of our voices of praise unto Him, the playing of music unto Him, the clapping of our hands unto Him, and by dancing unto the Lord!!!!

We want to invite God into our midst by our worship unto Him. The Lord will inhabit the praises of His people. And we are also told that the Joy of the Lord is our strength. When you worship the Lord and He comes into your presence, Joy will come into your heart as well as conviction if you have done anything wrong. For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of.

Is there any true worshippers out there???? Then Let's give God some praise **with the voice of Triumph!!!!**