

Understanding Worship

- What Is Worship? (I)

- **In the Tabernacle of Moses worship was depicted:**
 - **By daily sacrifices, by sabbath sacrifices, by monthly sacrifices and by the sacrifices of the Jewish Feasts from Passover to Tabernacles (Lev 23; Num 28,29)**
 - **The sacrifices point to the finished work of the cross as being the basis of worship**
 - **The feasts point to a prophetic calendar (from Passover to Pentecost to Tabernacles) of our individual positions of being tabernacled in the secret place of the MOST HIGH GOD (Ps 91:1; 24:3-4; 15:1-2; 12:22-24)**
 - **GOD develops every worshipper in a unique position in GOD (2 Cor 3:3)**
 - **In this position we minister to GOD in our priesthood**

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- What Is Worship? (2)

- **In the Tabernacle of Moses worship was depicted:**
 - **By two altars in the Tabernacle of Moses, the Brazen Altar of the sacrifices and the Altar of Incense in the Holy Place (The Tent of Meeting)**
 - **The Brazen Altar refers to the soothing aroma of our hearts understanding and personal conviction of JESUS' sacrifice on the cross**
 - **The Altar of Incense refers to the fragrance of JESUS CHRIST that arises from our intimacy with Him in our lives and ministry (2 Cor 2:14-15) as a consequence of JESUS CHRIST Being our Savior and Redeemer**
 - **In this fragrance of JESUS CHRIST we are opened to the Holy of Holies. Hebrews 9:2-4 depicts this reality by positioning the Altar of Incense in the Holy of Holies**

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- What Is Worship? (3)

- **In the Law of Moses worship was depicted:**
 - **By the demand that we are to clearly understand that the LORD (YAHWEH or YEHOVAH) is our GOD and He is One (Echad) in a unity that the New Testament proclaims as the FATHER, the SON and the HOLY SPIRIT (Deut 6:4; Mark 12:29; Matt 28:19; I John 5:7, NKJV)**
 - **By the demand that we are to love YAHWEH with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength (Deut 6:5; Mark 12:30)**
 - **By the demand that we are to fear (revere) YAHWEH and worship and swear by His Name (Deut 6:13)**
 - **In the New Testament, we do not take oaths in the Name of GOD (Matt 5:33-37) but we speak in the revealed conviction of WHO YAHWEH IS and ALL THAT YAHWEH IS (John 17:6,26)**

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- What Is Worship? (4)

- **In the Tabernacle of David worship of YAHWEH is depicted by music, song and dance (1 Chron 16:1-43; Acts 15:16-18)**
 - **Prophetically this is the worship form by which mankind will be drawn to seek the LORD as they experience the Presence and the Manifestations of GOD during worship (Acts 15:17)**
 - **This is the prophetic purpose of worship ministry; to enable people to encounter their GOD as they minister to Him**

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- What Is Worship? (5)

- **The prophetic root to worship in music, song and dance opened in the Tabernacle of David is the growing revelation of JESUS CHRIST as our Well-Beloved, “David” in the altar of our heart**
 - **In this revelation of JESUS CHRIST as our well-beloved we develop into a people after GOD’s own heart who will do all of GOD’s will (Acts 13:22b)**
 - **In this reality worship actually depicts a lifestyle that worships GOD in thought, word and deed in a living intimacy with GOD whom we worship**

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- We Worship In A GOD-Given Witness In Us (I)

- **What was foreshadowed in the Tabernacle of Moses in the sacrifices and the Tabernacle of David is brought to life in us in a Witness that operates by the SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS**
 - **Every born again Christian has the Witness (I John 5:10a; Rev 3:14b)**
 - **It is a Witness of the sacrifice of JESUS CHRIST in Spirit, Water and Blood (I John 5:8; John 19:30, 34; Rev 3:14b)**
 - **Spirit represents the life-giving Spirit of JESUS CHRIST (I Cor 15:45; Phil 1:19c)**
 - **Water represents the Voice of GOD / His Word (Eze 1:24; Rev 1:15c)**
 - **Blood represents our Covenant relationship in intimacy with GOD.**

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- We Worship In A GOD-Given Witness In Us (2)

- **The Witness in Spirit, Water and Blood is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets that we are called to develop into an intimacy through worship**
 - **This is the Witness in which we minister to GOD in worship**
 - **In this Witness JESUS CHRIST is our well-BELOVED**
 - **We make music, song and dance in this Witness alive in us**
 - **This Witness always operates by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS (Rom 8:2)**
 - **This Witness enables us to operate behind the veil in the Mount of the LORD (Heb 6:19; Ps 24:3-4; Heb 12:22-24)**

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- We Worship In A GOD-Given Witness In Us (3)

- **Worship is addressed to GOD. It is not for man.**
 - **A worshipper must have a personal relationship with GOD through JESUS CHRIST, by the HOLY SPIRIT**
 - **Worship expresses the fragrance of JESUS CHRIST, by the SPIRIT from the altar of our heart**
 - **The gift of worship and the anointing must be developed as CHRIST is formed in us**
 - **In worship we must decrease and JESUS must increase**
 - **As we worship GOD breaks through into our worship and then He ministers to His people**