

## Scriptures Used:

- Genesis 8:20–21
- Genesis 12:7
- Genesis 13:4
- Genesis 26:25
- Genesis 35:1–3

- Romans 12:1
- Hebrews 13:8-10

ALTARED – Week 1: Build the Altar

A Lifestyle of Worship Beyond the Moment

Main Idea:

The altar is more than a church moment—it's a lifestyle of daily surrender and encounter with God.

- 🔑 What Is an Altar?
- Physical: A place where offerings were made to God (stone, earth, bronze)
- Spiritual: A place where we intentionally meet with God

- Romans 12:1
- "...present your bodies as a living sacrifice... this is truly the way to worship Him."
  - Why Altars Still Matter Today
  - We have distractions like never before—TV, smartphones, endless noise.
  - Altars help us refocus, re-center, and recommit to God.
- Hebrews 13:8–10
- "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever... We have an altar from which the priests... have no right to eat."
  - Biblical Examples of Altar Encounters
  - 1. Noah Genesis 8:20-21
    - ➤ First act after the flood: Worship
    - God responds with mercy and a covenant
  - 2. Abraham Genesis 12:7
    - ➤ Built an altar where God gave him a promise
    - ➤ Returned to worship again (Gen. 13:4)
  - 3. Isaac Genesis 26:25
    - Built an altar after hearing from God
    - > Worship leads to provision
  - 4. Jacob Genesis 35:1-3
    - > Recommits his household to God

➤ Builds altar at Bethel		

- What Altars Produce in Our Lives
- Recognize God's Presence
- → More than a symbol—it's where heaven meets earth.
- Remind Us of Our Covenant
- → God's promises are personal and ongoing.
- Reinforce Strength for the Future
- → Worship fuels us to face what's ahead.
  - Build These Altars in Your Life:
  - Worship Regular praise and honor to God
  - Repentance Daily surrender and cleansing
  - Sacrifice Laying down our will for His
  - Final Thought:

You don't need a stage or a stack of stones.

Wherever you stop to meet with God—there, you build an altar.

Notes: