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READING PLAN: Text PSALMS to 97000

Theme of the entire book of Psalms: WORSHIP



Psalm 13:1; 5-6

How long O God will you forget me? ... I will trust in your steadfast love and I will sing to the Lord...





Warren Wiersbe, Real Worship

"Worship is the believer's response of all that he is-mind, emotions, will and body – to all that God is and says and does."

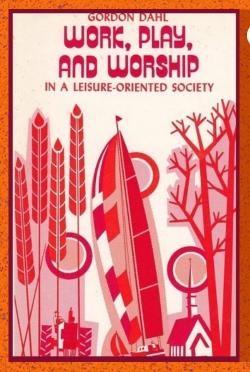


I give God • the first day out of every week • the first moments in every day • first dime out of every dollar • the first consideration in every decision



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Gordon Dahl

"Most middle-class Americans tend to worship their work, work at their play, and play at their worship. As a result their meanings and values are distorted. Their relationships disintegrate faster than they can keep them in repair. Their lifestyles resemble a cast of characters in search of a plot."



Three Basic Questions About Worship

1) Why should I worship? "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!"



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Exalt the LORD our God, and worship.... –Psalm 99:9



Psalm 100:1 Make a joyful <u>noise</u> to the Lord, all the earth! **"to shout"**



Psalm 100:1 Make a joyful <u>noise</u> to the Lord, all the earth [*lands, world*]!



Let the <u>nations</u> rejoice and shout for joy.... –Psalm 67:4 For this I will praise you, O LORD, <u>among the nations, and</u> <u>sing</u> to your name. –Psalm 18:49

All the <u>ends of the earth shall remember</u> and turn to the LORD, and all the families of <u>the nations shall worship</u> before you. –Psalm 99:9

...therefore, <u>nations will praise you</u> forever and ever. –Psalm 45:17





John Piper

"Missions exists because worship doesn't."









Three Basic Questions About Worship

Why should I worship?
 Who should I worship?



Psalm 100:3,5

Know that the Lord, he is God! For the Lord is good!



God is good ALL THE TIME. All the time, GOD IS GOOD!



Taste and see that the Lord is good.... –Psalm 34:8

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Every **good gift** and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights. –James 1:17

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 Who should I worship?
 How should I worship?



Worship involves...

• Service to God through others *"Serve the Lord with gladness"*



Psalm 100:2



Psalm 100:2 Posture



Psalm 100:2 **Posture** Attitude



Psalm 100:2 **Posture Attitude Aim**



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There was no task too small for Jesus:

When he had washed their feet... If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. – John 13:12, 14

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Service to God through others
Singing about God and to God "Come into his presence with singing"



122 Times in Psalms:

"His steadfast love..."



Psalm 100:1-2

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!



Augustine, c. 300 AD





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"...when I remember the tears that I shed on hearing the songs of the Church in the early days, soon after I had recovered my faith, and when I realize that nowadays it is not the singing that moves me but the meaning of the words when they are sung in a clear voice to the most appropriate tune, I again acknowledge the great value of this practice. So I waver between the danger that lies in gratifying the senses and the benefits which, as I know from experience, can accrue from singing."

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Knowledge that leads to life-change "Know that the Lord, he is God!"



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He made us and we are his, we are his people. –Ps. 100:3b

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He made us and we are his, we are his people. –Ps. 100:3b For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for Good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. – Ephesians 2:10



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...and the sheep of his pasture.... –Psalm 100 3c

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Generous thanksgiving *"Enter his courts with thanksgiving."*



Count Your Blessings

When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed, When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost, Count your many blessings; name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord has done.



... I will render **thank offerings** to you. –Psalm 56:12 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving... –Psalm 50:14 With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good. –Psalm 54:6 I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD. -Psalm 65:15

2 Samuel 24:24

"...I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God that cost me nothing."

