

The Oaks Community Church  
Worship Guide



January 21, 2024

I. Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving

Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:37-39 (NKJV)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

**Alliance Core Value #4**

Knowing and obeying God's Word is fundamental to all true success.

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Joshua 1:8 (ESV)

40 DAYS  
OF prayer

III. **Worship Now – Why & How We Worship**

Pastor Gary Barber

<sup>1</sup>Come, let's sing for joy to the LORD, let's shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation. <sup>2</sup> Let's come before His presence with a song of thanksgiving, let's shout joyfully to Him in songs with instruments. <sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a great God and a great King above all gods, <sup>4</sup>in whose hand are the depths of the earth, the peaks of the mountains are also His. <sup>5</sup>The sea is His, for it was He who made it, and His hands formed the dry land. <sup>6</sup>Come, let's worship and bow down, Let's kneel before the LORD our Maker. <sup>7</sup>For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand. Today, if you will hear His voice. <sup>8</sup>Do not harden your hearts as at Meribah, as on the day of Massah in the wilderness, <sup>9</sup>"When your fathers put Me to the test, they tested Me, though they had seen My work. <sup>10</sup>For forty years I was disgusted with that generation, and said they are a people who err in their heart, and they do not know My ways <sup>11</sup>therefore I swore in My anger, they certainly shall not enter My rest." Psalm 95:1-11 (NASB)

## Why we should worship the LORD

- He is a great God; He is a great King
- He is the rock of our salvation
- He is the creator of all the earth and He is our Maker
- He is our Shepherd

## How we worship the LORD

- Let's sing for joy... let's shout joyfully... a song with thanksgiving... songs with instruments ... let's worship and bow down... let's kneel... hear His voice.

### ❖ Words for Worship

- Shaw-khaw – bow down
  - An expression of reverence and awe
- Proskyneo – to turn towards and kiss
  - An expression of adoration and affection

## 12 Biblical Expressions of Worship

- Singing
- Instrumental Praise
- Clapping
- Standing
- Shouting
- Dancing
- Speaking Out (Testifying)
- Kneeling & Bowing Down
- Confession
- Lifting Our Hands
- Meditating
- Being Silent & Still

## Benefits of worshipping the LORD

- We hear His voice

- Our heart is softened.
- We enter God's REST

Relaxed  
Expectant  
Spirit Filled  
Trust

❖ Let's worship now

#### IV. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

##### **Stewardship Principle #3**

The wise person saves.  
The foolish person spends everything.

The wise man saves for the future, but the foolish man spends whatever he gets. Proverbs 21:20 (TLB)

#### **4Ways to Give:**

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2. Mail Check/Drop Off Cash to: 10200 Campus Park Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93311
3. In person through the worship service offering or using the offering boxes
4. At the mobile giving station in the back of the Sanctuary

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