# The Oaks Community Church Worship Guide



April 28, 2024

## I. Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving

That they may know that You, whose name alone is the LORD [JEHOVAH], are the Most High over all the earth. Psalm 83:18 (NKJV)

## II. Family Confession & Greeting

#### Armor of God #4

We are more than conquerors in Christ. Today we clothe ourselves in the full armor of God. We take up the shield of faith with which we can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Faith is being sure of what we hope for; being convinced of what we cannot see.

Ephesians 6:10-18; Hebrews 11:1



III.

"Paul's Effective Ministry in Ephesus"
Acts 19:8-20
Pastor Gary Barber

Paul entered the synagogue and spoke boldly there for three months, arguing persuasively about the kingdom of God. But some of them became obstinate; they refused to believe and publicly maligned the Way. So Paul left them. He took the disciples with him and had discussions daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. Acts 19:8, 9 (NIV)

This went on for two years, so that all the Jews and Greeks who lived in the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord. God did extraordinary miracles through Paul, so that even handkerchiefs and aprons that had touched him were taken to the sick, and their illnesses were cured and the evil spirits left them.

Acts 19:10-12 (NIV)

❖ God's order: Preach the Word and attesting miracles that point to Jesus will follow

So then, when the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them, and confirmed the word by the signs that followed. Mark 16:19, 20 (NASB)

This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him. God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will. Hebrews 2:3b, 4 (NIV)

Don't mess with the Name of Jesus! The strange story of the seven sons of Sceva – Acts 19:13-16

When this became known to the Jews and Greeks living in Ephesus, they were all seized with fear, and the name of the Lord Jesus was held in high honor [was being magnified]. Acts 19:17 (NIV)

The fear (awe, terror, deep respect) of the Lord – Luke 1:12, 2:9, 5:26, 7:16, 8:37; Acts 2:43, 5:11, 9:31

Many of those who believed now came and openly confessed what they had done. A number who had practiced sorcery brought their scrolls together and burned them publicly. When they calculated the value of the scrolls, the total came to fifty thousand drachmas. In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power. Acts 19:18-20 (NIV)

Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy. Proverbs 28:13 (NIV)

So the word of the Lord was growing mightily and prevailing. Acts 19:20 (NASB)

I can prevail in all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

- Ministry Time
- Do you need to disattach from something hindering your spiritual development?
- Prayer by Leaders
- Invitation

### 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:

- 1. Online at <a href="www.theoaksweb.com">www.theoaksweb.com</a> or download our app (The Oaks Bakersfield)
- 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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