

GROWING IN INTIMACY WITH GOD

“Worship That Revives Us” | Pastor Joe Yoshihara | January 26, 2025

Acts 2:42-47

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles.



Acts 2:42-47

⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need.



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⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.



The Temple

- **Offer Sacrifices** (Hebrews 5:1)
- **Dedicate 1st born males** (Luke 2:22-24)
- **Worship** (Luke 2:37)
- **Sing** (2 Chronicles 29:25-30)
- **Pray** (Luke 18:10)
- **Learn** (Luke 2:46)

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Our Worship Services

- Remember Christ's Sacrifice
- Dedicate parents and children
- Worship
- Sing
- Prayer
- Learn

1. Gathering together to worship reminds you it's about HIM not you.



Hebrews 10:24-25

²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ **not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some**, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.



Hebrews 13:9-15

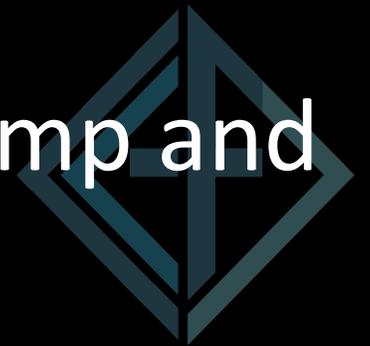
⁹ Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. ¹⁰ We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat.



Hebrews 13:9-15

¹¹ For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. ¹² So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood.

¹³ Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured.



Hebrews 13:9-15

¹⁴ For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. ¹⁵ Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.



2. Coming together to worship provides an opportunity to bless others in our church family.



1 Corinthians 14:1-5

¹ Pursue love, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, especially that you may prophesy. ² For one who speaks in a tongue speaks not to men but to God; for no one understands him, but he utters mysteries in the Spirit.



1 Corinthians 14:1-5

³ On the other hand, the one who prophesies speaks to people for their upbuilding and encouragement and consolation. ⁴ The one who speaks in a tongue builds up himself, but the one who prophesies builds up the church.



1 Corinthians 14:1-5

⁵ Now I want you all to speak in tongues, but even more to prophesy. The one who prophesies is greater than the one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the church may be built up.



1 Corinthians 14:26

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3. Worshipping with others revives our souls



Psalm 100:1-5

¹ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

² Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

³ Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.



Psalm 100:1-5

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵ For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.



Application: Come to worship services like
you would to a wedding:

- **Humbly** (it's not about you)
- **Respectfully** (on time)
- **Willingly** (to bless others)
- **Gratefully** (invited into God's Family)
- **Ready** (to celebrate all Christ has done)

