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WHY WORSHIP?

A dense forest of tall, thin trees, likely pines or firs, with the word "Praise" overlaid in white text. The forest is lush and green, with many trees visible in the background. The word "Praise" is centered in the image in a large, white, sans-serif font.

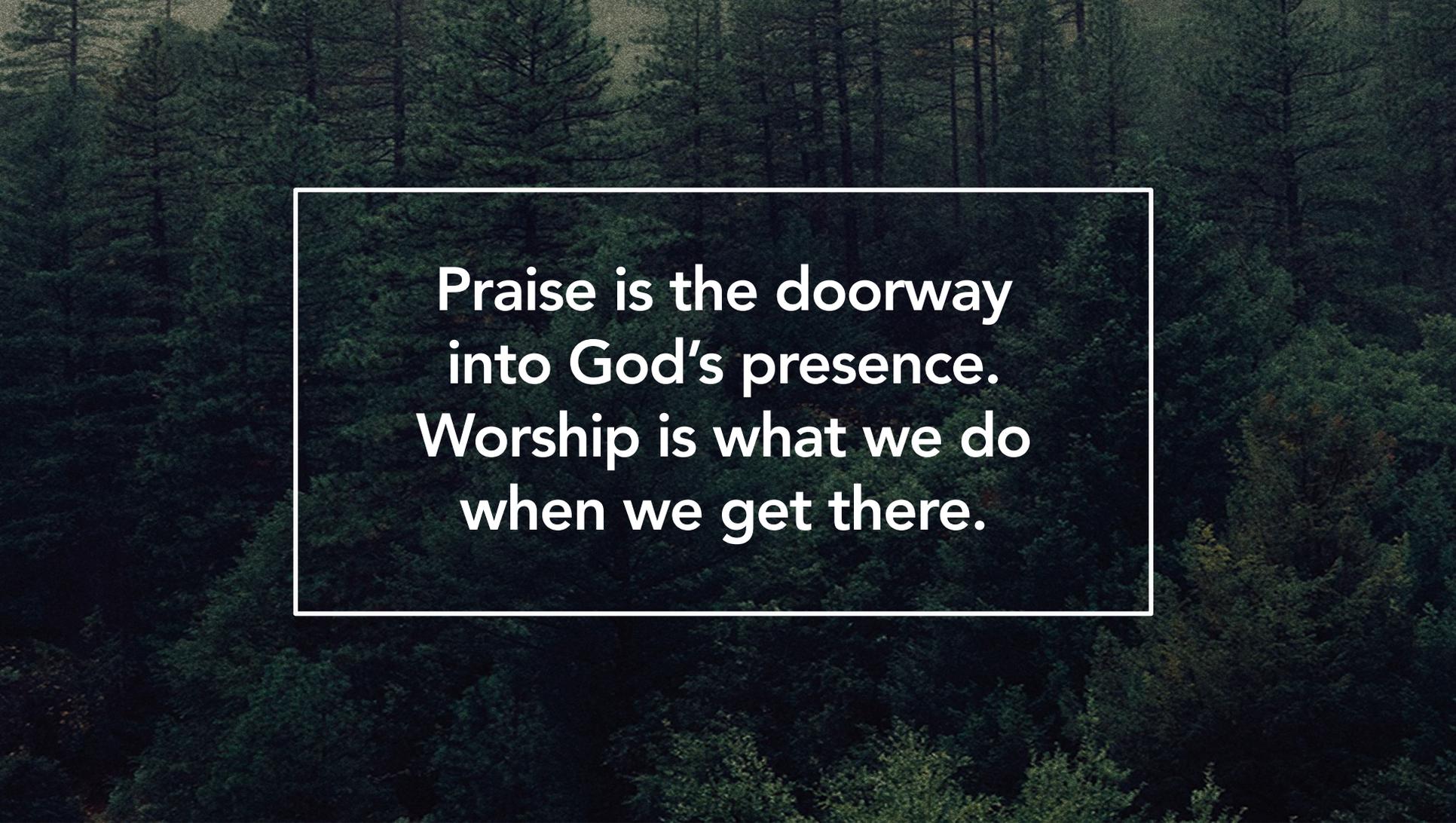
Praise

# “Praise & Worship”

- Used interchangeably
- Significant, powerful differences
- Appropriate time for each

# Basic Differences

1. Praise is aggressive; worship is submissive.
2. Praise tends to be focused on His deeds; worship tends to be focused on His Person.
3. Praise creates an atmosphere for the presence of God; worship enjoys that presence.



**Praise is the doorway  
into God's presence.  
Worship is what we do  
when we get there.**

# What Is Praise?

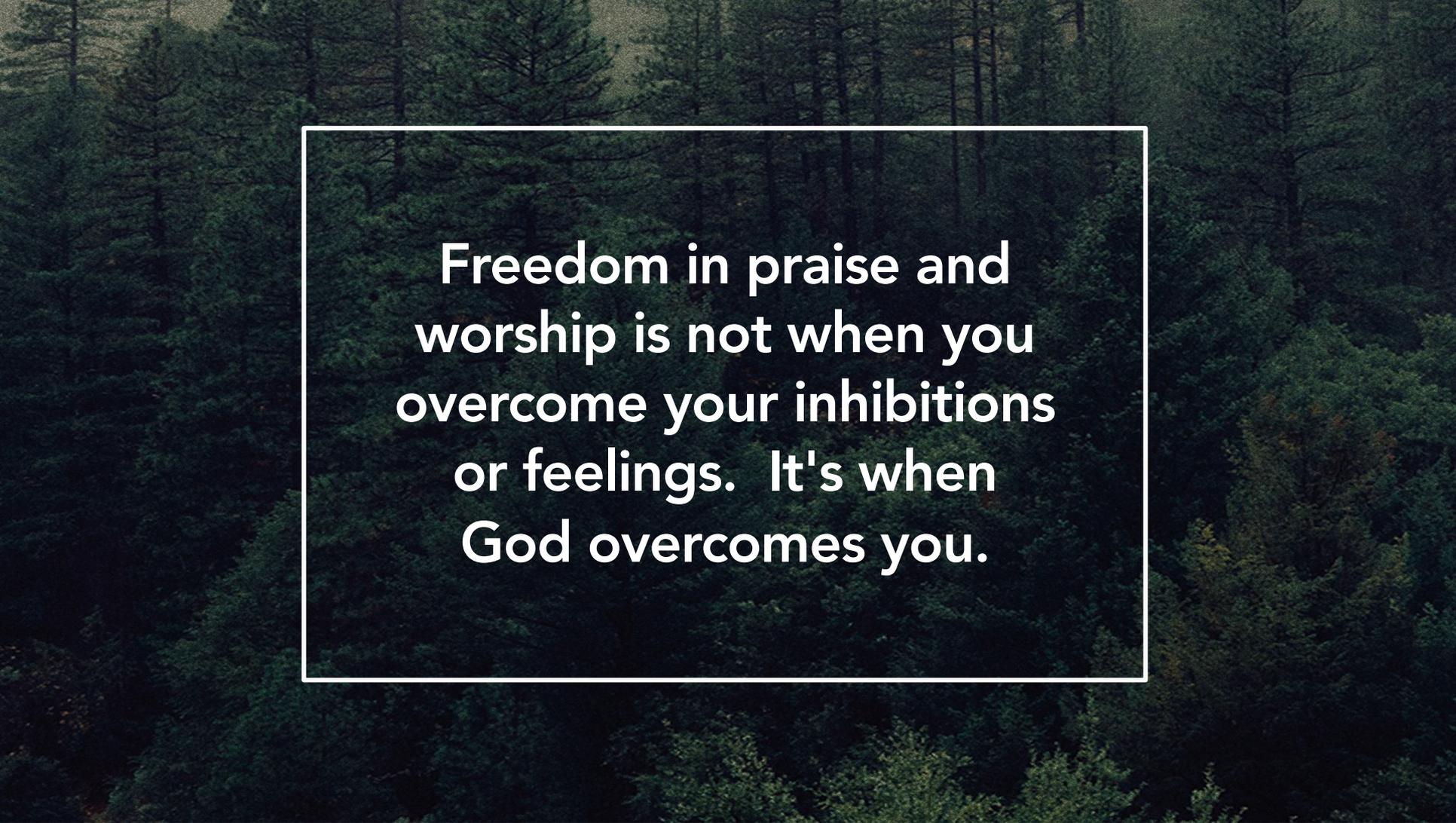
- Is demonstrated
- Singing, shouting, lifting hands, etc.
- Not just “intellectual” in nature
- Involves the whole person
- 58 different words in Hebrew

# What Is Praise?

1. **Yadah** – to extend your hands
2. **Barak** – to kneel; to bless/praise on bended knee
3. **Shabach** – shout
4. **Giyl** – to spin around; to dance in a circle; to jump or whirl

# What Is Praise?

5. **Tehillah** – to sing a new song; singing a spontaneous song
6. **Taqa** – to clap or applaud in praise
7. **Halal** – to be clamorously foolish; to rave as if a madman



**Freedom in praise and  
worship is not when you  
overcome your inhibitions  
or feelings. It's when  
God overcomes you.**

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“When you find yourself in a worship service all knotted up over what everybody else is doing or not doing, then you may not have come to the place where you are so overwhelmed with Him that you don't even notice what's going on around you. When that happens, you won't be drawing a spiritual assessment on how well your fellow worshippers

# Jim Wrenn

are doing. You'll be overwhelmed by grace. When Jesus is all you can see, you will finally know what freedom in praise and worship is all about."

# What Is Praise?

- Unity vs. uniformity
- Complete unity
- Variety of expressions
- What He desires
- What pleases Him

# When Do We Praise?

1. When we feel like it.

# James 5:13

“Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise.”

# When Do We Praise?

1. When we feel like it.
- 2. When we don't feel like it.**

# Psalm 103:1

“Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being,  
praise His holy name.”

- David: “Get with it!”
- Emotionalism
- ***“Soul, praise the Lord!”***

# Psalm 42:5-6

<sup>5</sup> "Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me?"

<sup>6</sup> "Put your hope in God. For I will yet praise Him."

# When Do We Praise?

1. When we feel like it.
2. When we don't feel like it.
3. **When we start our day.**

# Psalm 57:8

“Awake, my soul! Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.”

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- Abraham & Lot
- Material things of the world
- Reminders of God's faithfulness

# When Do We Praise?

1. When we feel like it.
2. When we don't feel like it.
3. When we start our day.
4. **Now.**

# Psalm 34:1

“I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.”

# Psalm 113:3

“From the rising of the sun, to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised.”

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