

Worship - Power

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Scriptures: Psalm 40:1-3; 2 Chronicles 20:1-24

Bottom Line: Worship is a powerful witness and a powerful weapon

"You have one brief opportunity in time to declare your allegiance, to unleash your affection, to exalt something or someone above all else. So don't waste your worship on some little god...guard your worship, and carefully evaluate all potential takers." Louie Giglio

Worship is a Powerful Witness (Ps. 40)

David's joy and celebration before God became his witness. When the Church gathers to worship, we gather to witness.

"If you truly worship, others will be drawn to God and you will be inspired to share God's love with others."

Worship is a Powerful Weapon (2 Chr. 20)

Worship is a weapon because it arms our hearts with real hope.

Worship is a weapon because it reminds us that the battle belongs to God.

Worship can Change Our Perspective

Some problems can't be "fixed," but they stop being problems when we intensify our life of worship.

As we spend time with Jesus, our fears and failures lose their grip on our lives in the light of His love and truth.

Next Steps

- Would it be helpful for me and my family to dedicate a physical space in our home for meeting with Jesus?
- Where do I need to stop fixing my eyes on the problem, and instead fix my eyes on Jesus?

LISTENING

Have someone in your group share something about their week. They could answer one of the following questions:

- What was a big challenge or problem you faced this week? How did you handle it?
- Where did you experience God this week? Or where do you wish you had experienced God this week?
- Based on your life experience this week, what do you think God is trying to teach you right now? What is He trying to build in you?

After the person shares, the group can respond. Make sure you let them know you heard them: tell them what you heard, offer wise advice where it's asked for, share from your own experience as well.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Review Sunday's message. What stood out to you? What challenged you? Are there any lingering questions?
2. How has worship played a role in your life? Have you had any particularly powerful experiences of worship?
3. What are ways you enjoy worshipping? Why do you think these avenues of worship resonate with you?
4. Have you ever been impacted by someone else's worship? How did their worship act as a witness of God's character and work to you?
5. Terry talked about worship being a weapon. Spend some time reading through **Ephesians 6:10-20**. What pieces of armor do you most resonate with?