## Why Worship - Praise

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Ryan talked about how one of the basic differences between "praise" and "worship" is that praise tends to be focused on His deeds: both the things He has done for us, and the things He will do. Do you find it difficult to praise the Lord (through faith) for things He has not yet done in your life?
2. We examined these 7 different Hebrew words for praise:

- Yadah - to extend your hands
- Barak - to kneel; to bless/praise on bended knee
- Shabach - to shout
- Giyl - to spin around; to dance in a circle; to jump or whirl
- Tehillah - to sing a new song; singing a spontaneous song
- Taqa - to clap or applaud in praise
- Halal - to be clamorously foolish; to rave as if a madman

Which one of these expressions of praise is the most difficult for you, and why?
3. God desires that each of us come to the place where we determine to praise Him regardless of our feelings and circumstances. What is one area where you need to "serve official notice" to your Spirit Man to praise the Lord right now?
4. Removing our self-centeredness from the picture is the key to achieving freedom in praise. Ryan said "Freedom in praise and worship is not when you overcome your inhibitions or feelings - it's when God overcomes you." How will you allow God to overcome you in your next time of praise and worship with Him?

