

Designed for Worship
Looking Up & Looking Out Message Series Week 1
Hebrews 13:15-16
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A. Biblical foundation of worship:

1. Everyone is created to worship. (Exodus 20:3-5)

“Worship is the activity of the human soul. So not only do all people worship, but they worship all the time. Worship isn’t just a Sunday thing. It’s an all-the-time thing. Right now, all around you, people of all shapes and sizes, people of every age and purpose are worshipping—continually making decisions based on what they value most. Worship happens everywhere...all day long.”

Louie Giglio, *The Air I Breathe*, Multnomah Books,
Colorado Springs, CO, 2003, pp. 13-14.

2. Worship is giving God the worth He is due and deserves.
(Psalm 18:1-3, 29:1-2, 96:1-9; Revelation 4:8-11, 5:11-13)

3. Worship is about our hearts. (Matthew 15:7-9)

“God is no dummy. He knows what’s going on in our hearts. And God knows how easy it is for us to say one thing and do another. That’s why the true test of worship isn’t so much what we say, but how we live.”

Louie Giglio, *The Air I Breathe*, Multnomah Books,
Colorado Springs, CO, 2003, p. 79.

B. We give God the worth He deserves and is due:

- 1. Through our lips.** (Hebrews 13:15; Psalm 100)
- 2. Through our lives.** (Hebrews 13:16; Colossians 3:16-17, 23)

“Continually means that in every moment, we’re constantly looking for ways to glorify Him.

Continually gets our worship outside the walls of the church building.

Continually gets our worship outside of our devotional times.

Continually gets our worship outside of our Christian conferences.

Our worship events.

Our MP3 players.

Our headphones.

Continually gets worship into the marketplace.

Into the boardroom.

Into our hangout places.

Into our conversations with friends.

Into our Starbucks moments.

Continually gets worship into our entertainment choices.

Our bank accounts.

Our hidden thoughts.

Our dark nights.

Our joys.

What God is saying is this: ‘Everything you are—is Me. Everything you have—is Mine. The life you live is My life that I’ve freely given you. And I want worshipers who will be constantly reflecting my goodness and grace with that life.’

God wants our lives to be a seamless song of worship. God wants our worship to be a way of life.”

Louie Giglio, *The Air I Breathe*, Multnomah Books, Colorado Springs, CO, 2003, pp. 88-89.

- 3. Through our surrender.** (Romans 12:1-2)