

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU EXPECT Part 2: Expect God to Move Through Praise & Worship

Opening Thought:

Praise and worship are not fillers before preaching—they are spiritual weapons, kingdom language, and holy invitation.

POINT 1: Praise Is a Priestly Function That Enthrones God

Scripture: Psalm 22:3

- Praise is a priestly act of enthronement.
- Praise declares God's sovereignty, victory, and presence.
- Praise aligns us under heaven's government.
- Jehoshaphat's victory came when the praisers went first.

Key Statement: "When praise goes up, hell backs up!"

POINT 2: Worship Is Surrender That Releases Kingdom Power

Scripture: Romans 12:1

- Worship is submission, not just expression.
- Surrender allows the Spirit to move freely.
- Paul and Silas worshiped in prison before breakthrough came.
- Worship changes atmospheres before circumstances.

Key Statement: "Worship is where your will bows and His power flows!"

POINT 3: Radical Praise Is Faith Expressed Without Shame

Scripture: Mark 10:46–52

- Radical praise is visible faith.
- Blind Bartimaeus praised boldly despite opposition.
- David praised God with remembrance and gratitude.
- Praise reflects what we truly believe about God.

Key Statement: "If you really believe it—you won't stay silent!"

POINT 4: Exaltation of Christ Manifests His Kingdom

Scripture: John 12:32

- Praise and worship are centered on Jesus.
- When Christ is exalted, His kingdom is revealed.

- Isaiah's vision brought conviction and clarity.
- Where Jesus is welcomed, disorder must leave.

Key Statement: "When Jesus is lifted, everything else has to bow!"

Final Declaration:

We are a people of expectation because we know who Jesus is—Savior, Deliverer, Healer, Baptizer, and King. When God's people praise, something shifts.