

Week 1: Worship as a Response to God’s Character and Actions

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I. God’s Character

- Worship flows from revelation of who He is.
- God is: holy; love and mercy; faithful; sovereign; and one.
- The more we discover His character, the deeper our worship becomes.

II. God’s Actions

- We worship because of what He has done.
- Deliverance led to worship at the Red Sea (Exodus 15).
- Healing led to worship for the leper (Luke 17:15).
- Spirit outpouring led to worship (Acts 2:1–11).
- Salvation leads to worship (Luke 15:7).

III. Worship Is Not Just an Emotional Response

- Emotion may accompany worship, but God is the source.
- Worship is not hype, but a Spirit-empowered response (John 4:24).
- Spirit-filled people are worshipping people.

If God acts, we respond.

IV. Our Response Is Expressive

- “Praise Him with the trumpet... loud cymbals” (Psalm 150).
- “Clap your hands, all ye people” (Psalm 47:1).
- “David danced before the Lord” (2 Samuel 6:14).

Do not apologize or feel foolish for expressive worship.

V. Our Worship Transforms

- Isaiah was commissioned (Isaiah 6).
- Paul and Silas were freed (Acts 16).
- Believers were filled with the Holy Ghost (Acts 4:31).

Worship aligns our hearts, refocuses priorities, and releases breakthrough.

VI. Worship Is a Lifestyle Response

- Not a sporadic response.
- We respond through daily obedience and separation.
- The same hands lifted on Sunday must live the same way on Monday.

Things to Think About

When you worship, what most often moves you — the atmosphere, the music style, or a fresh revelation of who God is?

- How would your worship change if it were rooted more deeply in God’s holiness, love, faithfulness, and sovereignty rather than personal preference?

The lesson warns against making our love for God feel obligatory.

- In what ways can worship shift from heartfelt gratitude to routine or duty?
- How can you keep your worship flowing from thankfulness for who He is and what He has done?

