

“A Crash Course In Worship”

Text: Psalm 95

Jesus is saying that there is a right way and a wrong way to go about \_\_\_\_\_. It is crucial that we learn how to do it right. Ref: John 4:23

Many of today’s worshippers think that church should make them feel good, the worship music should be geared toward their tastes and preferences, the sermon should speak to their problems ... Sunday morning becomes something that do for " " .

We keep sight of the fact that the point of worship — as well as the point of church attendance and the point of Christian service — is not to feel good, but to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

Worship is much more than an \_\_\_\_\_ experience. It’s much deeper than that. Worship is sometimes accompanied by good feelings, and sometimes it isn’t.

Psalm 95 shows us the importance of three things as we seek to worship God.

1. The Importance of \_\_\_\_\_.

Worship is a \_\_\_\_\_ effort, a family affair, a community event. A team sport. God has called his people to come together in his name and worship together, with one \_\_\_\_\_ and one \_\_\_\_\_.

Obviously, you can worship alone, at home, in the privacy of your prayer closet. And this is a good thing to do. But it’s enough. You need to worship with the people of God. Ref: Psalm 122:1; Matthew 18:20

When we come together, our primary objective should be to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

2. The Importance of \_\_\_\_\_.

Throughout the Bible, especially in the Psalms, we see that the act of worship is a \_\_\_\_\_ act. The Hebrew people expressed worship by their posture as well as by their word. Ref: Psalm 47:1; Psalm 63:4; 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 6:14-15

This is how God made us. What you do with your body makes a difference in your \_\_\_\_\_.

Worship is not a spectator sport. It's not something that you watch people do. You get involved. You participate.

3. The importance of \_\_\_\_\_.

The attitude that you bring into this house on Sunday morning determines more than anything else whether or not worship will take place.

The kind of attitude that is conducive to worship.

a. We come with an attitude of thanksgiving. Ref: Ps: 95:2

Thankfulness is where the act of worship begins. Ref: Ps: 100:4

Praise is the \_\_\_\_\_ to Heaven

True worship starts with \_\_\_\_\_. Before you ask for anything more from God, start saying thank you.

b. We come with an attitude of submission. Ref: Ps:95;6,7

You cannot worship without an attitude of submission, because worship is the act of putting God in his place, and putting yourself in your place.

c. We come with an attitude of expectation. Ref: Ps: 95:7-11

That's what worship is: putting God in his place and putting me in my place. Ref: Ps: 95:7