

### Psalm 100:4-5

**4** Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,  
and into His courts with praise.  
Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.

**5** For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting,  
and His truth endures to all generations.



## STEPS

in our Journey as  
a worshipper of God  
with Thanksgiving and  
Praise leading  
to Worship



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

I. **Decide** to worship God.

**Psalm 34:1** - **I will** bless the LORD at all times;  
His praise **shall** continually be in my mouth.

**Psalm 138:1-2** - **I will** praise You with my whole heart;  
before the gods **I will** sing praises to You.

**I will** worship toward Your holy temple, and praise  
Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;  
for You have magnified Your word above all Your name.



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

I. **Decide** to worship God.

**Participants vs Spectators**

Michal - 2 Samuel 6:16, 23

**Love Relationship vs Religion**




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

II. Be an intentional **True** worshipper.

**John 4:23-24** - But the hour is coming, and now is,  
when the true worshipers will worship the Father **in spirit**  
**and truth**; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.  
God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship  
**in spirit and truth**.

**True Worshipper vs False Worshipper**



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

II. Be an intentional **True** worshipper.

**1 Peter 2:5** - you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, **to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable** to God through Jesus Christ.

**Acceptable vs Non Acceptable Sacrifices**



### Journey of a Worshipper of God


II. Be an intentional **True** worshipper.

1. A true worshipper is guided by the **Word** of Truth.

**John 17:17** - **Sanctify** them by Your truth.  
**Your word is truth.**

EG: 1 - Psalm 51:6

Behold, **You desire truth in the inward parts**, and in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.




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**John 17:17** - **Sanctify** them by Your truth.  
**Your word is truth.**

EG: 2 - Matthew 5:23-24

Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that **your brother has something against you**, leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First **be reconciled to your brother**, and then come and offer your gift.




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

II. Be an intentional **True** worshipper.

2. A true worshipper is led by the **Spirit** of Truth.

**John 16:13** - However, when He, **the Spirit of truth**, has come, **He will guide you into all truth**; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

II. Be an intentional **True** worshipper.

2. A true worshipper is led by the **Spirit** of Truth.

**Philippians 3:3** - For we are the circumcision, who **worship God in the Spirit**, rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have **no confidence in the flesh** ...



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

III. **Know** we have right standing with God.

**Psalm 24:3-4** - **Who may ascend into the hill** of the LORD? Or **who may stand in His holy place**? He who has **clean hands and a pure heart**, who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, nor sworn deceitfully.





### Journey of a Worshipper of God

III. **Know** we have right standing with God.

**Romans 5:1** - Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have **peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ** ...



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

III. **Know** we have right standing with God.

1. We have the gift of the **Righteousness of God** in Christ Jesus.

**Romans 5:17b** - ... much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the **gift of righteousness** will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

III. **Know** we have right standing with God.

1. We have the gift of the **Righteousness of God** in Christ Jesus.

**2 Corinthians 5:21** - For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, **that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.**




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

III. **Know** we have right standing with God.

2. On God's part, we are "**Perfect**" in Christ Jesus.

**Hebrews 10:17** - then He adds, "Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

III. **Know** we have right standing with God.

3. On the believer's part, the issue is one of **Conscience**.

**Hebrews 9:14** - how much more shall the **blood of Christ**, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, **cleanse your conscience** from dead works to serve the living God?

C. On the believer's part, the issue is one of **conscience**.

**Hebrews 10:19-23** - Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the **blood of Jesus**, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, **having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience** and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.



c. On the believer's part, the issue is one of **conscience**.

**1 John 1:9** - If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to **forgive** us our sins and to **cleanse** us from all unrighteousness.

Deal with **Sins & Guilt** and Receive **Forgiveness & Cleansing**

**No Condemnation**


Romans 8:1	Revelation 12:11
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We come to God's Presence by the **Blood** of Christ and in the Name of our **Lord Jesus**.



Let us come  
to the Presence of God  
**NOW!**

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**Journey of a Worshipper of God**

iv. With freedom from the **Cares** and **Anxieties** of life.

**1 Peter 5:7** - **casting all your care upon Him**, for He cares for you.

**James 5:16**




**Journey of a Worshipper of God**

iv. With freedom from the **Cares** and **Anxieties** of life.

**Philippians 4:6-7** - **Do not be anxious** about anything, but in everything, **by prayer and petition**, **with thanksgiving**, present your requests to God. And the **peace of God**, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



Let us cast our anxieties  
to the LORD now!



**Journey of a Worshipper of God**

v. With **Thanksgiving**.

**Psalms 50:14** (NIV) - **Sacrifice thank offerings** to God ...

**Psalms 100:4** (NIV) - **Enter his gates with thanksgiving** ... give thanks to him and praise his name.



## Journey of a Worshipper of God

v. With **Thanksgiving**.

**HOW?**

We thank God for all He has done and is doing ... given and going to give to us.

**Psalm 103:1-5** - Bless the LORD, O my soul ... and forget not all His benefits: Who forgives ... heals ... redeems ... crowns ... satisfies ... renew ...

**The Bottom Line of Thanksgiving is Gratefulness.**



## Give thanks for the Lord's Supper

For **the Bread - the Body of Christ**

1. He died for our **salvation** (1 Corinthians 15:2-4; Romans 10:9-10).
2. He died to include us **in His Body** - the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-13).



## Give thanks for the Lord's Supper

For **the Bread - the Body of Christ**

3. He died for our **bodily healing** (Matthew 8:16-17).
4. He died to give us **life** (1 Corinthians 15:45).
5. Etc.



## Give thanks for the Lord's Supper


For **the Cup - the Blood of Christ**

1. His Blood was shed for the **atonement** of our sins (Hebrews 9:22; Hebrews 10:19-22).
2. His Blood gives us **life** (Hebrews 9:14-15).
3. We **overcome** the evil one by His Blood (Revelation 12:11).
4. Basis for the **New Covenant**.



**GIVE THANKS**  
for the Lord's Supper

**Thanks be to God  
for His  
Indescribable Gift**  
- 2 Corinthians 9:15 -



## Journey of a Worshipper of God

vi. With **Praise**.

**Psalm 100:4** (NIV) - **Enter** his gates with thanksgiving and **his courts with praise**; give thanks to him and praise his name.



## Journey of a Worshipper of God

vi. With **Praise**.

**HOW?**

We praise God for Who He is:  
**His Attributes, His Names**

**Hebrews 13:15** (NIV) - Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a **sacrifice of praise**—the fruit of lips that **confess his name**.

**The Bottom Line of Praise is **Knowing** God.**




## Journey of a Worshipper of God

vi. With **Praise**.

1. Praise is **Vocal**. It is never silent.  
e.g. **Shout, Sing, Proclaim, Confess ...**

**Psalm 95:1** (NIV) - Come, let us **sing for joy** to the LORD; let us **shout aloud** to the Rock of our salvation.

**Psalm 66:1-2** (NIV) - **Shout** with joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!




## Journey of a Worshipper of God

vi. With **Praise**.

2. We praise with **Bodily Expressions**.  
A. **Clapping of Hands**.

**Psalm 47:1** (NIV) - **Clap your hands**, all you nations; **shout to God with cries of joy**.




## Journey of a Worshipper of God

vi. With **Praise**.

2. We praise with **Bodily Expressions**.  
B. With **Dancing** - graceful bodily movements.

**Psalm 149:3** (NIV) - Let them praise his name with **dancing and make music** to him with tambourine and harp.



## Journey of a Worshipper of God

vi. With **Praise**.

2. We praise with **Bodily Expressions**.  
c. With the **Lifting of Hands**.

**Psalm 141:2** (NIV) - May my prayer be set before you like incense; may the **lifting up of my hands** be like the evening sacrifice.



Let us **PRAISE**  
the LORD!



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

vii. With **Worship**.

1. Worship has got to do with the **Holiness of God**.

**Leviticus 10:3** - And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke, saying: 'By those who come near ME I must be regarded as holy; and before all the people I must be glorified.'"




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

vii. With **Worship**.

1. Worship has got to do with the **Holiness of God**.

**Isaiah 8:13** (NIV) - The LORD Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy, he is the one you are to fear, he is the one you are to dread




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

vii. With **Worship**.

1. Worship has got to do with the **Holiness of God**.

**Matthew 6:10** - Hallowed be Your NAME

**Psalms 46:10** - Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

vii. With **Worship**.

2. Worship has got to do with **Developing Intimacy with God**.

**Matthew 22:37** (NIV) - Jesus said to him, 'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.'




### Journey of a Worshipper of God

vii. With **Worship**.

2. Worship has got to do with **Developing Intimacy with God**.
  - A. Directing our **Thoughts** and **Emotions** to God
  - B. Giving Him our **Love** and **Adoration** in response to His love for us.

**The Bottom Line of Worship is Surrender.**



### Journey of a Worshipper of God

vii. Worship has got to do with **Developing Intimacy with God**.

- B. Giving Him our **Love** and **Adoration** in response to His love for us.

**Psalms 18:1** (NIV) - I love you, O LORD, my strength.

**Psalms 101:1** (NIV) - I will sing of your love and justice; to you, O LORD, I will sing praise.



## Journey of a Worshipper of God

vii. With **Worship**.

2. Worship has got to do with **Developing Intimacy with God**.

The place of **Spiritual Songs / Spontaneous Songs** in worship.



## Journey of a Worshipper of God

2. Worship has got to do with **Developing Intimacy with God**.

The place of **Spiritual Songs / Spontaneous Songs** in worship.

**Ephesians 5:18-19** - ... **be filled with the Spirit**, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and **spiritual songs**, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord ...



## Journey of a Worshipper of God

2. Worship has got to do with **Developing Intimacy with God**.

The place of **Spiritual Songs / Spontaneous Songs** in worship.

**Colossians 3:16** - **Let the word of Christ dwell in you** richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and **spiritual songs**, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.



## Spiritual Songs

- i. **Spontaneous** expressions of our spirit that are improvised in an unrehearsed, unpremeditated manner.
- ii. **Creative** expressions to tell God what we think and feel about Him.
- iii. Born out of **faith** and the **inspiration** of the Holy Spirit.
- iv. This can include personal prayer **tongues**.



Let us **WORSHIP**  
the **LORD** Most High!



## The Bottom Line

**Matthew 5:8** - Blessed are the **pure in heart**, for they shall **see God**.

**Revelation 4:8** - The four living creatures, each having six wings, **were full of eyes around and within**. And they do not rest day or night, saying: "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!"



## The Bottom Line

### Psalm 27:4

**One thing** I have **desired** of the LORD,  
that will I **seek**: That I may dwell in the house  
of the LORD all the days of my life,  
to **behold** the **beauty of the LORD**,  
and to **inquire in His temple**.