



#### John 4:23-24

23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the <u>true worshipers</u> will <u>worship</u> the Father <u>in spirit and truth</u>; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

**24** God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

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## Journey of a Worshipper of God Steps to come into the Presence of God

**I.** Decide to worship God.

Psalm 34:1 Will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

#### Psalm 138:1-2

1 Will praise You with my whole heart; before the gods Will sing praises to You. 2 Will worship toward Your holy temple, and praise Your name for Your lovingkind-ness and Your truth; for You have magnified Your word above all Your name.



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**2 Samuel 6:16** (The Story of Michal) Now as the ark of the LORD came into the City of David, Michal, Saul's daughter, looked through a window and saw King David leaping and whirling before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

v23 - she became barren!





II. Be a <u>true worshipper</u>.1. In <u>Spirit</u>.

1 Corinthians 2:11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.



II. Be a <u>true worshipper</u>.1. In <u>Spirit</u>.

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 ...



- **II.** Be a <u>true worshipper</u>.
  - 2. In Truth.

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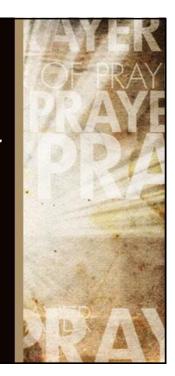
John 17:17 Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.



#### II. Be a true worshipper.

#### **PRAY Now:**

Father-God, I come to Your Holy Presence.
I choose to be a true worshipper.
I want to worship You in spirit and in truth.
I give You my heart - cleanse it Lord.
Guide me by Your Word of Truth - Jesus my Lord! Lead me - Holy Spirit of Truth.
In Jesus name!



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

#### Psalm 24:3-4

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



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

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

#### Hebrews 10:19-21

19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, 21 and having a High Priest over the house of God ...



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

Hebrews 10:22 let us <u>draw near</u> with a true heart in <u>full assurance of faith</u>, <u>having our hearts</u> <u>sprinkled from an evil conscience</u> and our <u>bodies</u> <u>washed with pure water</u>.



### **III.** Know we have right standing with God. **Declare:**

- I am deeply loved by God
- I am completely forgiven in Christ
- I come boldly to the Presence of God by the Blood of the Lamb and through Jesus, my High Priest



- III. Know we have right standing with God.

  Declare:
  - I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus!
  - I have right standing with God!
  - Yes and Amen!
  - Thank You Lord!

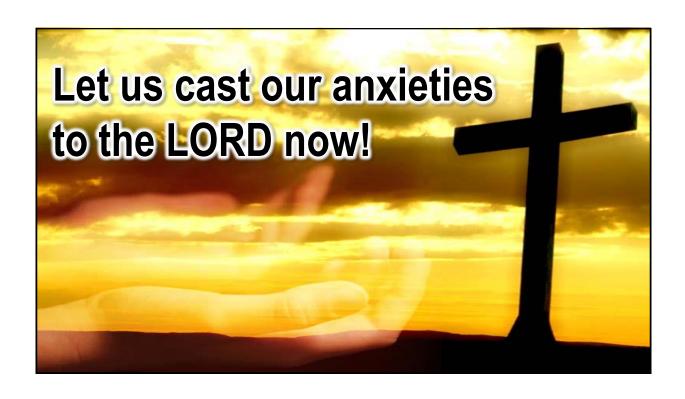


**IV.** With freedom from the <u>cares</u> and <u>anxieties</u> of life.

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

Philippians 4:6-7





# V. With thanksgiving. Psalm 50:14 Sacrifice thank offerings to God ... Psalm 100:4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving ... give thanks to him and praise his name.





#### Give thanks for the Bread - the Body of Christ

- 1. He died for our **salvation** (Romans 10:9-10).
- 2. He died to forgive us of our sins (Ephesians 1:7).
- 3. He died to include us in His **Body** (1 Corinthians 12:12-13).
- **4.** He died to give us <u>life</u> (1 Corinthians 15:45).
- 5. He died for our bodily healing (Matthew 8:16-17).



#### Give thanks for the Cup - the Blood of Christ

- 1. His Blood was shed to cleanse our sins (Hebrews 9:22).
- 2. His Blood was shed to cover our sins (1John 2:2).
- 3. His Blood was the seal of the New Covenant (1 Corinthians 11:25).
- 4. His Blood gives us life (Hebrews 9:14-15).
- 5. We <u>overcome</u> the evil one by His Blood (Revelation12:11).





### Let us now partake the Lord's Supper!

#### 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.



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We praise God for Who He is: <u>His Attributes</u>, <u>His Names</u>.

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

The Bottom Line of Praise is Knowing God.



#### VI. With praise.

Praise is **vocal**. It is never silent.

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

#### Psalm 66:1-2

- 1 Shout with joy to God, all the earth!
- 2 Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!





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."



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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 ...



#### VII. With worship.

 Worship has got to do with the Holiness of God.

Matthew 6:10 Hallowed be Your NAME

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



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.'

1 John 4:19 We love Him because He first loved us!



#### VII. With worship.

- 2. Worship has got to do with <a href="developing">developing</a> <a href="intimacy with God">intimacy with God</a>.
  - **A.** Directing our **thoughts** and **emotions** to God.
  - **B.** Giving Him our <u>love</u> and <u>adoration</u> in response to His love for us.

The Bottom Line of Worship is <u>Surrender</u>.



2. Worship has got to do with developing intimacy with God.

The place of:

- i. Spiritual Songs;
- ii. New Songs;
- iii. Spontaneous Songs

in worship.



The place of **Spiritual Songs / New Spontaneous Songs**.

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 ...

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 <u>spiritual</u> <u>songs</u>, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.



#### **Spiritual Songs / New Songs**

- (1) <u>Spontaneous</u> expressions of our spirit that are improvised in an unrehearsed, unpremeditated manner.
- (2) <u>Creative</u> expressions to tell God what we think and feel about Him.
- (3) Born out of <u>faith</u> and the <u>inspiration</u> of the Holy Spirit.
- (4) Saying or singing personal prayer tongues.





#### The Bottom Line

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**

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

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.

