

Worship – What is it?

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The acts of Worship are actions (5 to be precise).

What is worship?

What are the acts of worship?

What ways can we perform the act, but it not be accepted?

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‘proskuneo’ - to fawn or crouch to, that is, (literally or figuratively) prostrate oneself in homage (do reverence to, adore)

‘sebomai’ - to revere, that is, adore

‘latreuo’ - to minister (to God), that is, render religious homage

‘eusebeo’ - to be pious, that is, (towards God) to worship

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Chiefly and eminently, the act of paying divine honors to the Supreme Being; or the reverence and homage paid to him in religious exercises, consisting in adoration, confession, prayer, thanksgiving and the like.

To adore; to pay divine honors to; to reverence with supreme respect and veneration.

To perform acts of adoration; To perform religious service.

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The 5 acts of worship

Singing

Praying

Teaching / Preaching

Lord's Supper

Collection / Free-will offering

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Singing

To utter sounds with various inflections of melodious modulations of voice, as fancy may dictate, or according to the notes of a song or tune

Praying

In worship, to address the Supreme Being with solemnity and reverence, with adoration, confession of sins, supplication for mercy, and thanksgiving for blessings received.

Teaching / Preaching

To deliver any doctrine, art, principles or words for instruction. To pronounce a public discourse on a religious subject, or from a subject, or from a text of Scripture.

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Lord's Supper

Partaking of the emblems, unleavened bread & fruit of the vine, in a manner of reverence and holiness on the first day of the week.

Collection / Free-will offering

A contribution; a sum collected for a charitable purpose.

Literally, to bring to or before; hence, to present for acceptance or rejection; to exhibit something that may be taken or received or not.

Are there other ways we can worship our God?

No

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Singing – ‘ado’ – to sing; is used always of "praise to God"

Ephesians 5 : 19

“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 spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”

I Corinthians 14 : 15

What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding.

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Singing

What are we doing when we sing?

Speaking to one another.

Teaching to one another.

We understand.

Making melody in our heart.

In what way can we make our singing unaccepted?

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Singing

Gregorian Chant

Gregorian chant is the central tradition of Western plainchant, a form of monophonic, unaccompanied sacred song of the western Roman Catholic Church.

Antiphonal Singing

An antiphon in Christian music and ritual, is a responsory , usually in the form of a Gregorian chant, to a psalm or other text in a religious service or musical work.

Antiphony is now generally used for any call and response style of singing

Psalm 136

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Praying – ‘proseuchomai’ – to pray to God, that is, supplicate, worship

Romans 8 : 26

“Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groaning's which cannot be uttered.”

Ephesians 6 : 18

“praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—”

I Timothy 2 : 8

“I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting;”

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What are we doing when we pray?

Making supplication known to our God.

In what way can we make our praying unaccepted?

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Teaching / Preaching - 'didasko' – to teach; to give instruction;
'kerusso' – to herald (as a public crier)

I Corinthians 4 : 17

“For this reason I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church.”

Matthew 3 : 1

“In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea,”

Acts 8 : 5

“Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word.”

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Teaching / Preaching

What are we doing when we teach/preach?

Instructing

Instructing in what?

In what way can we make our teaching unaccepted?

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Lord's Supper

I Corinthians 11 : 20, 23 – 26

“Therefore when you come together in one place, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper. For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.”

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Acts 2 : 42; 20 : 7

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.”

“Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight.”

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What are we doing when we partake of the Lord's Supper?

Proclaiming the Lord's Death

In what way can we make the Lord's Supper unaccepted?

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Collection for the saints

Acts 11 : 27 – 30

“And in these days prophets came from Jerusalem to Antioch. Then one of them, named Agabus, stood up and showed by the Spirit that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar. Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.”

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Collection for the saints

I Corinthians 16 : 1 – 4

“Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given orders to the churches of Galatia, so you must do also: On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come. And when I come, whomever you approve by your letters I will send to bear your gift to Jerusalem. But if it is fitting that I go also, they will go with me.”

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II Corinthians 9 : 6 – 7

“But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.”

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Collection for the saints

What are we doing when we give of our means?

Purposing to give

Give out of want to not have to

Give according to our ability to give

Giving in order for the Lord's work to continue to work

In what way can we make the collection unaccepted?

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