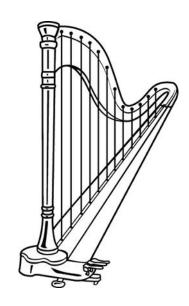


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Chapter 1: Intimate Worship in Spirit and Truth

Now is the time to worship!

In 1994 there was a song and it said: "Come, now is the time to worship".

The message of the song was that we should now prepare our heart in worship for one day every knee will bow and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Today, God wants us to understand the deeper meaning of true worship.

Apostle Paul says that we worship God in spirit.

Php 3:3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

<u>True, deep, intimate worship is based upon worshipping in the Holy Spirit and being filled</u> with His glory.

These days, God is pouring out His End Time glory, especially as we enter the deeper places of realms of worship.

This will bring many to salvation and the knowledge of the glory of God will fill God's children.

Hab 2:14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

This school is here to prepare and equip you to grow into deeper intimate worship.

Glory Realm Worship

In 2004, the Lord showed that I needed to let His holy fire purify me more and thereby set me more free.

I had just finished fasting for three days, when a holy glory angel was released.

I then ministered in a church meeting in Perth, Western Australia.

As I was ministering to the people I was playing the guitar and worshipping the Holy Spirit, the realm of holy glory was moving.

People were set free of evil spirits andhealing flowed.

For the whole earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord.

New Testament Worship

<u>Jesus Christ, Himself has laid out the foundations of true New Testament worship.</u>

<u>He knew that when He would die and be raised back to life, the veil that was between the holy place and the holies of holies would rip.</u>

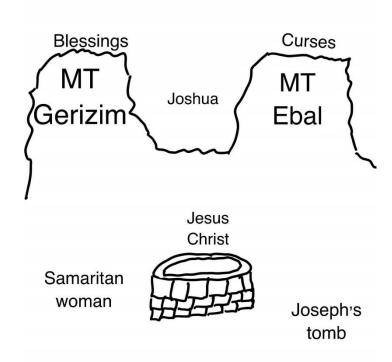
Luk 23:45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

This would indicate that the true worshippers would, through faith in Christ, have a relationship with God and worship God, who is seated on the throne in heaven.

He used Samaria and the Samaritan woman to teach us these truths.

Samaria's Historic Well and Mountain

Jesus at Jacob's well (Samaria)



1. Shechem 2. Sychar 3. Nablus

Samaria is the place of the historic well of Jacob.

This well is found in the town, which in Jesus' day was called Sychar, in Old Testament times called Shechem and is now called Nablus on the Western Bank.

There was a mountain at Jacob's well called Mt Gerizim.

On that mountain, at Moses command, Joshua had proclaimed the blessings.

The mountain next to Mt Gerizim is called Mt Ebal, and this mountain was where the curses were proclaimed from.

The Samaritans had moved from Jerusalem's temple as a place of worship and made Mt Gerizim into the most important place to worship their god.

Jesus at Jacob's Well

On His journey from Judea to Galilee, Jesus came through Samaria and visited Jacob's Well for a drink and while there He had a divine appointment.

Joh 4:5-6 Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. (6) Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with his journey, sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour.

There He met a Samaritan woman who He asks for a drink of water at Jacob's historic well. She said, how can you ask a Samaritan woman for a drink?

<u>Jesus said to her, if you knew Him who you are talking to, you would have asked Him for eternal living water.</u>

Joh 4:10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

❖ He said this for He was going to reveal to her that He was the Messiah and could give her eternal life.

Which Mountain to Worship On!

Herman the Digger on Mt Hermon said that the most important question concerning real estate was location, location?

The Samaritan woman asked the question about which mountain should we worship, which was the most important location.

She asked this for Samaritans believed Judaism and the Torah had been corrupted and that Moses had told them to protect this sacred mountain, to make pilgrimages to it. They even had built a small temple on it.

She asked a WRONG question.

Jesus said it is not about the right mountain.

He said we need to focus our worship on the right God.

Joh 4:21-22 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. (22) Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.

Salvation is from the Jews

Jesus then told her that the Samaritans had been misled and deceived in their worship of God. Their view of God and salvation was not the right one.

He said that salvation is from the Jews.

Joh 4:22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.

Then He also revealed to her that He was the Jewish Messiah whereby we can be forgiven of sin, saved and receive eternal life.

She believed in Him and was saved; she led a whole city to Christ for salvation.

No Hindu god, Buddha or Mohammed died for our sin or can take our sin away.

Only Christ paid for our sin with His divine blood.

For Christ also says, I am the way, the truth and the life that opens the way of salvation to God.

Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

To Worship the Father

The main point is worship the Father, therefore they are labelled A.

A. We need to keep the main theme in worship the main theme. In worship, the main theme is to have a deep revelation and understanding of God the Father.

The main theme Jesus gives us in worship is that we need to worship God the Father.

In this main theme, we are called to worship the Father in Spirit and truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

The Two Pillars in Worship

A. The main focus in the house of worship is worshipping God the Father.



This house of worship has two pillars.

The 2 Pillars of the House of Worship are

1. Spirit

2.Truth

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Father God seeks true worshippers.

Jesus taught the Samaritan woman truths about worship.

He said that Father God seeks true worshippers.

He said that true worshippers will worship Father God in spirit and truth.

These two points; spirit and truth, are the 2 pillars in New Testament worship.

The Right Location is in the Spirit

<u>Location</u>, <u>location</u> is the most important question in real estate.

Jesus knew that and He did answer the question that the Samaritan woman posed about location.

He said that the location of worship is not at this mountain or that place.

He said the location is in the Spirit.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

For He said that God is Spirit.

Therefore, the location is not a natural place but a spiritual place.

Therefore, the God of the Jews is not found in Israel, but at the throne in heaven.

Heb 12:22-24 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, (23) To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, (24) And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

Jesus is the mediator of the New Covenant.

By His death and resurrection, the veil is taken away and we have entry into the throne room of heavenly Jerusalem, where God is seated on the throne and Jesus Christ is seated on His throne at the right hand of God the Father.

Therefore, Jesus Christ is the way there, as we are born again by faith.

He said you need to be born of the Spirit.

When you are born of the Spirit, you are also born of the kingdom of God.

Joh 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

Worship in the Spirit

1. The First Pillar

The first pillar of the house of worship is worshipping the Father in the Spirit.

For God is Spirit and therefore, we need to learn to worship the Father God in spirit.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Today's worship in many churches is in the soul realm and some in the flesh.

A lot of believers are also stuck in an Old Testament style of worship.

This Old Testament worship mindset does not live beyond the veil.

We are called to live in the spirit, to worship in the Spirit, and live beyond the veil.

2Co 3:15-18 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart. (16) Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. (17) Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. (18) But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

We are called to worship and live in the spirit, beyond the veil, and to be changed from glory to glory.

We will teach a whole chapter about this later in the book.

Worship in Truth

2. The Second Pillar

When God revealed His glory to Moses, He spoke to Moses about His attributes.

Exo 34:6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,

One of God's attributes that were revealed to Moses was TRUTH.

Jesus Christ called Himself the Truth.

He also called the Holy Spirit the Spirit of Truth.

Joh 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

<u>Therefore, our heavenly Father is seeking worshippers who will worship Him in Spirit and truth.</u>

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Our God is holy,

This means:

morally pure

- complete
- sacred

Since God is holy and, therefore, morally pure, complete and sacred, therefore, God's truth is one with God's love, righteousness, and justice.

Our worship in truth is, therefore, to be morally pure, complete in all attributes and sacred.

Truth is the salt in the saltshaker.

It says for you shall be salted with fire -

because God's fire is holy fire and truth is part of His holy fire.

In the Last Days

In the Last Days, many shall be awakened by God's truth.

They shall grow in righteousness and minister to the lost out of righteousness.

Dan 12:3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

Rev 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

The worship in Spirit and Truth will be the opposite of the false worship of the beast, which is a worship of lies.

2Th 2:10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

Worship of the truth makes us stand in the Last Days.

Makes us a resistor in the Last Days.

2 Th 2:6,7 (AMP) And now you know what is restraining him (from being revealed at this time); it is so that he may be manifested (revealed) in his own (appointed) time. For the mystery of lawlessness (that hidden principle of rebellion against constituted authority) is already at work in the world, (but it is) restrained only until he who restrains is taken out of the way.

Chapter 2: Worship the Father of Glory!

The Main Theme

In chapter 1, we learnt that the main theme in worship is to worship the Father in Spirit and truth.

Now, in this chapter, we are going to learn about Father God.

To know Him deeply is to see Him in His glory and know Him in His fullness.

Jesus Christ came to teach us about the Father heart of Father God and Father's holy glory.

At Father's Bosom

Joh 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Everywhere Jesus Christ walked and ministered, He was operating out of the Shekinah glory of God. He came forth from the glorious heart of Father God to show us the depth of our heavenly Father's heart.

Out of the deep intimate relationship with our heavenly Father.

We are called to worship in the glory for we are to worship the Father of glory.

Through this worship in the holy glory, the manifest presence of God will be released.

Out of the manifestation of the glory of God and the End Time move of the glory of God the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of God before Jesus come for His bride.

Hab 2:14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

Our heavenly Father and His Son are one.

Out of this glorious union, He showed us the Father God, for Jesus Christ was in the bosom of the Father.

We are to learn to live in union with our glorious Father daily.

As the body of Christ learns to abide and live in this union with the Father of glory, God's glory will be seen around the world.

When we worship out of this union, God's glorious light will be released.

Joh 1:18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.

Time to Worship

Now is the time to worship.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Today, as we are approaching the most difficult days on earth before the second coming of Jesus Christ, we are called to worship.

- ❖ We are called to worship God the Father in spirit and truth.
- ❖ To grow into deep worship, we must get to know the Father heart of God.

To learn to truly worship the Father will be a weapon to break through the fear, darkness, discouragement, and unbelief in this day.

❖ The main focus of our worship must be God the Father.

A Hurting German Man

When we were on a holiday in Tin Can Bay, Australia, we met a German believer.

He had been a professor at a university.

His heart did not know the deep love God had for him.

He said that he believed in Jesus Christ yet did not want to read the whole bible for God seemed to be an angry God.

The good thing was that he believed in Jesus Christ as the Saviour and the one who opens the gate of heaven for us.

His pain, hurt, anger and criticism stopped him from growing deeper into the goodness, love and kindness God the Father wanted him to know.

The goodness, love, mercy, kindness, and truth are attributes of God which, together with God's holy power and majesty, make up the glory of God.

Exo 34:6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,

In Hebrew, we call this glory the Kabod, which is the heavy presence of God. In Greek, the glory is the Doxa, which means all God is and all He has.

This holy glory is what God wants to reveal in these Last Days.

In the fatherhood of God, there are 2 sides.

The Father of Glory

In these Last Days, God wants to fill the earth with the knowledge of the glory of God.

These days, God wants to reveal the glorious love the Father has for us.

Hab 2:14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

One of the ways God is going to fill the earth with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord is through intimate worship.

Intimate worship is rooted in oneness with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit found in the godhead.

Col 2:9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

We are called to worship the Father in spirit and truth, and our Father God is also called the Father of glory.

In the Bible, as we see the Father and worship Him in His glory, we will grow in the glorious fullness of God.

Eph 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

In worshipping the Father, who is also the Father of glory, the Father wants to reveal His loving, merciful, good heart of love to you.

Shekinah Glory in Solomon's Temple

In the Last Days, God is going to pour out His glory in a mighty way.

Worshipping the Father of glory will be part of this outpouring of glory.

God wants the world to see His glory manifest in these Last Days so that the world will know that the God and Father of Jesus Christ is God and Lord.

We see this kind of outpouring of the Shekinah glory at the dedication of the temple as King Solomon dedicated the temple that he had built in Israel.

King Solomon obeyed God's instruction to sacrifice many animals, which is a type of sacrifice that Jesus Christ made with His blood.

The priests also worshipped God and proclaimed in worship that His goodness endures forever.

2Ch 5:13-14 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD; (14) So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

The effect of the dedication, sacrifices, and worship

1. The fire of God came down

Then King Solomon prayed.

When he had finished praying, the fire of God came down and consumed the sacrifices on the altar.

2. The Shekinah cloud released

As the priests worshipped, the Shekinah cloud filled the temple so that the priest could not stand any more.

2Ch 7:1-2 Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house. (2) And the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD'S house.

They laid down at the altar as a sign of surrender and oneness in fellowship and worship.

3. The glory of God on the temple

Then the physical glory of God came down upon the temple.

When all the children of Israel saw the fire of God come down and the glory of the Lord upon the temple, they bowed down in worship.

They bowed down in worship and put their faces to the ground.

Today, God wants to bring back this kind of reverential fear and worship as we seek Him in His house.

2Ch 7:3 And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.

Then all the children of Israel worshipped and said, 'God is good, and His mercy endures forever'. These signs will also happen in the Last Days as we worship.

1.Two Sides of the Fatherhood

There are two sides to God's fatherhood.

- 1. Abba
 - Abba Father reveals His loving and compassionate side.
- 2. Father

Father is His authority whereby God the Father rules and reigns.

In a new believer's heart, the Holy Spirit puts the cry, 'Abba Father'.

God wants to bring the heart cry, Abba Father in our worship so He will reveal the great love He has for us.

Gal 4:6 And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

Abba is an Aramaic domestic term by which the Father was called in the affectionate intimacy of the family.

It corresponds to the English 'daddy' or 'papa'.

Hereby, when the Holy Spirit puts that cry of Abba or Daddy in our hearts, He wants to reveal to us the great love our Heavenly Father has for us.

Abba Father is the first side of the fatherhood of God.

Rom 8:15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

We are called to worship God the Father in spirit and truth.

We need to get to know God the Father in His fullness, therefore, as Abba and as Father.

We need to get to know the deep heart of the love of our heavenly Father or Abba for He is our primary focus in worship.

Yes, we also worship Jesus Christ, yet Jesus said that we must primarily worship the Father. Jesus said this, for He wants you to grow up and grow in fullness.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

The vision of rainbow, 7 colours and fullness

Scripture reveals that our heavenly Father is the Father of glory.

Eph 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

I was praying in a room at O'Reilly guesthouse in Queensland Australia, with a view from the balcony overseeing the valley filled with trees and a beautiful sky, when I saw a vision.

The vision was of heaven's rainbow which comes forth from the presence of Father God, who is seated on His holy throne.

The glorious rainbow around the throne of God in heaven shows us the fullness of God's presence in manifestation and reveals Abba Father's glorious heart.

The tender heart of Father God is revealed to us by the fullness of the glorious Holy Spirit which comes to us as 7 Spirits of God, which is the fullness of the Holy Spirit, in the 7 colours of the rainbow around the throne of God.

In the scripture, it says that rivers shall come out of your belly. It is plural, rivers, 7 rivers of one Holy Spirit.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Then I saw these 7 colours in the natural world.

I saw birds with different colours that made up all 7 colours, amazing.

There, in O'Reilly's guesthouse in Queensland Australia, I saw a yellow and black Bower bird (Regent Bower Bird) fly. A red and green King Parrot bird, a blue Splendid Wren, a Rosella bird that has pink, purple and red in it, and an orange-black songbird called a Rufous Fantail. These birds make up the colours of the rainbow and therefore, Abba Father's glorious heart of love is also revealed on earth in the creation.

This is Abba's love language to us on earth, so we can open our hurting hearts to our loving Abba Father for healing, and then be able to sing our praises to Him.

Songbirds

In the 1980s there was a prophetic word that God was going to raise songbirds in the house of God.

In this prophecy, songbirds were an analogy or prophetic picture for worshippers and singers.

These worshippers would be part of the 24/7 worship that is now happening around the world.

The more we encounter and experience the manifest presence of God, which is His glory, the more beautiful the songbirds will sing.

These worshippers need to know the 2 sides of the Father heart of God.

- 1. Abba Father's loving heart.
- 2. Father God's authoritative heart.

Older Brother's Cold Heart

God the Father is after sons who know His loving heart and who have deep intimate fellowship with Him.

<u>Fellowship with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit is a hallmark of the Christian</u> faith.

1Jn 1:3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

Jesus tells us the parable of the prodigal son, who went away with his inheritance, lived in sin, and came back like a broken, hurting, sinful son.

In this story, we focus on the Abba or God's tender, merciful and loving heart.
The father still loved him and so rejoiced and received him back.

Yet there was also the older brother.

He did not rejoice when his sinful, backslidden brother came back.

Why was he not rejoicing?

He did not know the heart of Father God; therefore, he did not know Abba.

The father said to him, 'all that I have is yours'.

Luk 15:31 And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.

The older son's mentality was a work mentality, and he had a superficial relationship.

His father always wanted to share his deep love, joy, goodness, shalom and kindness with the older brother, which is part of the Father's glorious heart.

In this story, we see that the older son did not have a heart of true sonship and true worship.

The older brother did not live from that same kind of glorious attributes like love, goodness, mercy, and grace but was angry and wanted to do it his way.

We can try to worship the Father as the older brother, but our hearts will stay cool or lukewarm.

The right way is to open our hearts to Abba's loving and caring heart.

The Holy Spirit wants to pour out that love in your heart.

Rom 5:5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Prodigal Son Learns Brokenness Through Love

If we truly want to worship God the Father, then we need to be broken by the cross of Christ.

When Solomon dedicated the temple, the first thing he sacrificed was 1000's animals.

Why? This is a symbol of the blood of Jesus Christ was going to give as a sacrifice for our sin.

Our worship always has to start at the cross of Christ.

It says that God the Father so loved the world that He gave His only son.

God's Father heart was broken for us to see us saved as Christ died on the cross.

The younger brother said I am no longer worthy to be my father's son.

Luk 15:18-19 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, (19) And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

He saw his sin, pride and rebellion and was broken. He then humbled himself.

Our loving, heavenly Father receives us when we believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour, He accepts and loves us when we worship Him.

To be broken like the younger brother will teach us the deep love that God the Father has for us and our worship will be on fire, deep and intimate.

True brokenness comes at the cross of Christ as we surrender deeper in the love that God has for us daily.

Worship

- ❖ Worshipping is, therefore, a great place to get to know the loving heart of Abba and God the Father.
- Worship at the cross is a great place to become broken before God.
- ❖ Worshipping the Father of glory is the way to release the glory of God.

2.Worship of God the Father

We are called to worship God the Father.

Our loving Lord Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for our sin, said that we are called to worship God the Father in spirit and truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

To worship the Father in spirit and truth is one of the greatest callings and commands in the Bible.

We are called to worship God the Father in His fullness.

Therefore, we must know both the heart of Abba's love and the authority of Father God. Both the goodness and the severity of God the Father.

Rom 11:22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.

To grow in worship is to grow in knowing the Father heart of God.

In Christ Jesus and through Christ Jesus we can get to know the Father.

Phillip asked the Lord Jesus Christ to please show them the Father.

Jesus was disappointed and answered, 'Phillip, have you been so long with me and you haven't seen the Father. When you see Me, you have seen the Father for the Father dwells in Me.'

Joh 14:9-10 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? (10) Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

In the next chapter, we talk more about worshipping God the Father in the fear of God.

Chapter 3: Worship Father God in the Beauty of Holiness

Two sides of God's Fatherhood

In the first chapter, we learnt that we are called to worship God the Father.

We also saw that in the Fatherhood of God, there are 2 sides.

On the one side, we have the loving side where we get to know Abba Father.

On the other side is the authoritative side of Father God.

God is holy, which means complete, sacred, and morally pure, therefore, we also need to learn to worship God the Father in His authoritative side.

The Beauty of Holiness

We are called to worship the Lord our God in the beauty of holiness.

We are to do this for our God is holy.

Our God is the supreme ruler of the universe and the holy King of glory.

Psa 96:9 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

As we are worshipping Him in holiness, we are also to fear and revere Him. Glory and honour are in God's presence.

1Ch 16:27 Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place.

<u>True worship is all about honouring and giving reverence to God's holy and glorious presence.</u>

This opens the realm of His glorious presence,

In these Last Days, God wants to pour out His greater glory.

We worship Father God for we love Him.

Our motivation should be love, with a heart that adores Him with reverence, fear, trembling and awe.

Psa 95:6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

As we worship, He pours His presence out in our midst.

True worship releases salvation and His glory.

Psa 85:9 Surely his salvation *is* nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.

Our worship is in the Spirit into heavenly places.

We are to learn to worship before the heavenly throne.

Rev 5:7-8 And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. (8) And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down

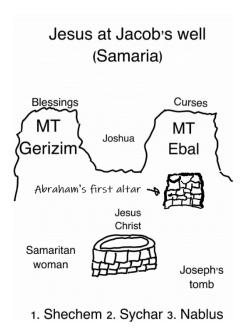
before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

Jacob's Well and Abraham's First Altar

In the Old Testament, we clearly see the authoritative side of Father God. Let's look into this. In Jesus' day, the place where Jacob's well was called Sychar, and, of old, Shechem. This place had a rich history.

When God called Abraham from Ur of the Chaldeans, Abraham started his journey to the promised land, the first place he visited was Sychar or Shechem.

Shechem is the first place in Israel where Abraham built an altar.



Gen 12:6 And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite *was* then in the land.

In Shechem, the Lord appeared unto Abraham and gave him the promises that, one day, his seed would own this land which would become the nation of Israel.

Gen 12:7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.

Therefore, he built an altar unto the Lord, which is Israel's first altar to Yahweh.

We call this the law of first mention.

Abraham is also called the Father of our faith.

Through faith, In Christ, we are all the children of Abraham and heirs of the promises.

Gal 3:14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Gal 3:29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Abraham's sacrifice on the altar was a foreshadowing of Jesus Christ would pour His blood out at the cross and on God's altar.

Through faith, therefore, in Jesus Christ, we can be saved and worship God in spirit and truth before the throne in heaven.

An altar speaks of blood and therefore the blood of Christ, an altar also speaks of worship. Therefore, at this place in Shechem (Jacob's well) Christ teaches us about true worship in spirit and truth.

Jesus Christ's blood has opened the way so we can come in fellowship and worship Father God. Therefore, Abraham's altar and Jacob's well at Shechem are a symbol of the cross of Christ and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Worship Him with Fear and Reverence

We are called to worship Him in the beauty of His holy presence; for our God is awesome.

Psa 96:9 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

On Mount Sinai, God revealed His majestic holy glory and awesome power.

One of the reasons that He did this was so we would worship Him in awe, fear, and reverence.

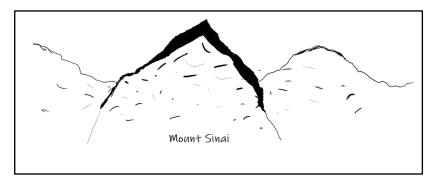
Psa 97:5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

Psa 97:9 For thou, LORD, art high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods. Psa 99:5 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; for he is holy.

The Mountain was on Fire

In Moses day, God showed him and Israel, His majestic power and authority as the supreme God and ruler

When God came down on Mount Sinai, the mountain top was burning, melting and on fire. The mountain was also trembling and shaking with earthquakes happening all around.



Exo 19:16-19 And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled. (17) And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount. (18) And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended

as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. (19) And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.

God was doing all this to impress the Hebrew nation so they would fear Him.

There were nations all around Israel that worshipped the evil idol gods.

God wanted to warn them and show them that He is the creator and supreme ruler, and that salvation belongs to Him.

The mountain was on fire.

Deu 5:23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders;

The mountain was on fire, for God wanted them to see that He is a consuming fire.

Heb 12:28-29 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: (29) For our God *is* a consuming fire.

Moses said that God came to prove them.

God wanted them to learn to become strong, so they would fear Him, so they would not bow down for other gods and fall into sin.

Exo 20:20 And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for God is come to prove you, and that his fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not.

Therefore, our worship has to become holy worship.

Psa 99:9 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the LORD our God is holy.

Glory Fills Revival Baptist Church in Burma

In 2010, I ministered in Burma at a revival Baptist church.

As I ministered in the reverential fear and worship of the Lord, God's glorious presence came down. I was ministering about the mountains that melted like wax when God came down upon Mt Sinai. On the literal mountain of Sinai, the top has melted.

I have a picture on my wall with the real Mt Sinai, which is found in Saudi Arabia, and the Egyptian Peninsula.

Galatians 4:25 says that Mt Sinai I sin Arabia.

Psa 97:5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

For 7 days, people were under the glory cloud.

While we were singing "I surrender all", the people were kneeling and weeping.

They were healed and encountered heaven and the heavenly glory without the laying on of hands for God was in charge.

Kissing and Bowing

At Jacob's well, which is a place of Israel's Patriarchs, Jesus Christ laid down the foundation of worship.

He said, now is the time to worship the Father in spirit and in truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

The Greek word for worship is *Proskuneo*.

Meaning of Proskuneo:

- 1. Kissing
- 2. Bowing or paying homage

1. Kissing

Our Lord Jesus Christ is our soon coming Bridegroom.

Therefore, in love, we worship Jesus Christ.

Now it is time to buy oil found in deep intimacy and fellowship with the Lord our God.

2. Bowing or Paying Homage

Jesus Christ is King of kings and Lord of lords.

Our heavenly Father is holy.

Therefore, we are to come in reverence, fear, and awe as we worship before God.

Psa 99:3,5 Let them praise thy great and terrible name; for it is holy. (5) Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; for he is holy.

Our God rules over the nations, therefore, in worship, we must come in reverence, fear, and awe for He is holy.

Psa 2:11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

We are to come and worship and bow down at His footstool or throne for He is holy. Worship Him with fear and reverence.

For God wants us to worship Him in the beauty of holiness.

Psa 96:9 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

Love the Lord with all your heart

We are called to worship God the Father and Son with reverence.

Psa 2:11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling

Our heart needs to love God yet resect Him as we come to worship Him.

Homage means special honour or respect shown publicly.

In this, we are to love God with all our hearts, soul, mind, and strength.

Deu 6:4-5 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God *is* one LORD: (5) And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

As we give Him our love, we submit ourselves to Him, knowing that our salvation comes from Him.

Psa 2:12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Our love relationship with the bridegroom is love, respect, honour, and obedience. For Jesus Christ our Lord, King and Bridegroom.

Lord and Supreme Ruler

On the day of Pentecost, when the fire of the Holy Spirit had come down upon the heads of the apostles. Apostle Peter told us what place of authority Jesus Christ had now entered.

Apostle Peter also said to the Jews that Jesus was now seated at the right hand of the Father and was made Lord and Messiah.

God was going to make all Jesus Christ's enemies His footstool.

Act 2:32-37 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. (33) Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. (34) For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, (35) Until I make thy foes thy footstool. (36) Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ. (37) Now when they heard *this*, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?

The Jews understood that kind of language and 3000 repented and were saved.

The Jews know that the fire of Yahweh God descended on Mount Sinai, had come down when Elijah prayed, and fire descended at the dedication of the temple.

Now they saw the Holy Spirit's fire in the Upper Room and upon the Apostles.

<u>Therefore, they understood that Jesus Christ was Messiah and Lord.</u>
Also, that Jesus Christ is Lord of all.

There are 2 names of God connected with Lord:

1. Adonai

- a. The Lord
- b. My great Lord

It means God is the Master and majestic Lord and, total authority.

Psa 8:1 (AMP) O LORD, our Lord, how majestic *and* glorious *and* excellent is Your name in all the earth! You have displayed Your splendour above the heavens.

2. Yahweh

- a) The Lord
- b) The Self-existent One

Yahweh has redemptive names:

Yahweh Jireh (Provider)

Yahweh Rohi (Shepherd)

Yahweh Tsidkenu (Righteousness)

Yahweh Rapha – (My healer)

Yahweh Sabaoth – (Lord of Hosts)

<u>Jesus Christ is the Messiah, as He has the redemptive names in Him because He is one with</u> the Father and therefore also Lord or God.

Apostle John saw Christ in His authority and fullness as he saw the Lamb of God with 7 horns and 7 eyes.

We are made for the praise of His glory

Our worship is all about our Lord and our God.

We are created and born-again for the praise of His glory.

Eph 1:5-6 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, (6) To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

Everything in our lives should be to honour our God, which makes it an act of worship.

<u>In all our lives, our praise and worship are to be directed to God and be for the praise of His</u> glory.

Even the Holy Spirit is given and poured out for us so we can serve and worship God more effectively for the praise of His glory.

Eph 1:13-14 In whom ye also *trusted*, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, (14) Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

The Worship of Worship

The Bible says that we are made for the praise of His glory.

Everything should be directed towards the glory of God.

Yet today, many worship their songs, their styles, and their praise.

Many worship leaders have made the worship their goal or purpose.

Today many worship their worship and their celebrity in the worship industry.

This means that the worship industry and many worship bands have stolen the glory of God. Lucifer was a worship leader in heaven, he tried to steal God's glory and, in the process, was cast out of heaven.

He has put his trademark in the hearts of many worship leaders. His trademark is called pride, idolatry, and self-idolatry.

Matthew's Song, "It's all about You"

Matt Redman is a songwriter and worship leader.

He saw that he had sinned in the way of self-idolatry, idolatry, and pride in worship.

He repented and made a song called, 'It is all about you".

When the music fades
All is stripped away
And I simply come
Longing just to bring
Something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart

I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself Is not what You have required You search much deeper within through the way things appear You're looking into my heart.

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You, all about You, Jesus
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You, all about You, Jesus.

(lyrics: It's all about You, Redman, M.)

 $\label{thm:continuous} \mbox{His repentance is evident in the chorus underlined above.}$

Today, we must come back to true worship.

Reverence, Fear and Awe

In these Last Days, God is going to pour out the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord.

The Spirit of the Fear of the Lord is one of the 7 Spirits of God found in the fullness of the Holy Spirit. The 7 Spirits of God are burning before the throne of God.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and *there were* seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

The Spirit of the Fear of the Lord is, therefore, a holy fire.

<u>Therefore</u>, the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord is a spirit of burning, purging, and cleansing. Zion is where the hut or tabernacle of David was located.

It says that in the Last Days, nations will come to this high place of Zion to worship.

Act 15:16-17 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up: (17) That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.

Today, God is restoring worship in His houses.

He wants to fill the praise and worship with His holy glory.

To get there, God wants to cleanse the daughters of Zion.

God's Glory will be seen in Worship

In the Last Days, God wants to pour out His greater glory in the worship that occurs in His house. God must first cleanse the daughter of Zion.

God wants to cleanse her, so she can worship Him in the beauty of holiness.

Isa 4:4 When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

The spirit of judgment and the spirit of burning is going to cleanse the daughter of Zion. Then the glory will be seen.

Isa 4:5 And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory *shall be* a defence.

Blood and Fire in Worship

Abraham's altar in Shechem, which in Jesus' days was called Sychar, where Jacob's well was situated, was a picture of blood sacrifices of Jesus Christ at the cross.

The well of Jacob of the Holy Spirit life that came to us when we became believers.

Father God, in love, mercy and grace sent His Son to save us.

In the Old Testament, we see God's holy fire or consuming fire at Mount Sinai.

This same holy fire is poured out on the disciples on the day of Pentecost.

In this house of worship of the Father, we need to be cleansed with blood and fire.

We need the cross and the blood of Christ for daily cleansing and the fire of the Holy Spirit for purification, cleansing and burning.

Ask God for daily cleansing

Ask God now to cleanse you daily through the blood of the cross of Christ and by His holy fire.

Ask God, out of love, to help you to worship the Father in awe, fear and reverence as you learn to bow down before Him, so you can worship Him in the beauty of holiness.

Chapter 4: Worship in the Spirit

Kathryn Kuhlman and Spirit-led Worship

When the Lord Jesus talked to the woman at the well, He connected the moving of the Holy Spirit and worship.

As we worship, the rivers of the Holy Spirit that come upon us and within us start to flow and move.

Kathryn Kuhlman understood this very well.

In her healing services, she had big choirs singing who were all sensitive to the Holy Spirit. They brought glory to God in their worship.

As they hit the high place of worship in the service, the Holy Spirit would start to move.

She was so super-sensitive to the Holy Spirit and said that He was all she had.

She would then lead the worship and the Holy Spirit would be poured out while big healings and miracles would start to take place.

Jacob's Well

When the Lord Jesus Christ talked to the woman at the well, He taught her the 2 pillars of the house of worship.

These 2 pillars of the house of worship are worship in spirit and worship in truth. In this chapter, we are going to teach you the importance of worship in the Spirit.

- A. The first truth here is to learn that God is a Spirit.
- B. The second truth to this is that we are to worship in Spirit.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

<u>Jacob's well is the place where the Lord Jesus Christ taught us about New Testament</u> worship.

In Jesus day, Jacob's well was in Samaria, in the town called Sychar, which today, is called Nablus, West Bank.

Joh 4:5 Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.

In Jacob's day, the town was called Shechem, which became part of Ephraim.

Here Jesus met the Samaritan woman who had a question about the place of worship.

She asked the Lord if the place of worship was Mt Gerizim or Jerusalem.

Jesus Christ answered that now is the time to worship the Father in spirit and truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

The Location is in the Spirit

To worship the Father in spirit and truth started when the curtain in the temple ripped, the moment Jesus Christ died on the cross for our sin.

Location was shifting from the natural place in the temple to the realm of the spirit.

- For God is Spirit.
- ❖ Therefore, the location for our worship is in the spirit.

The natural location for worship does not matter.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Here, Jesus Christ laid the foundation for New Testament worship.

New Testament worship started when Jesus Christ died for our sins and was resurrected!

The veil was gone and Jesus Christ ascended to heaven and was seated on the right hand of God the Father in heaven.

Act 2:33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

To worship the Father in the Spirit at the heavenly throne was opened, but only by having faith in Jesus Christ.

Through faith in Jesus Christ, we can be born of the spirit and into the kingdom of God. This open's the way for us to worship the Father in Spirit and truth.

Joh 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

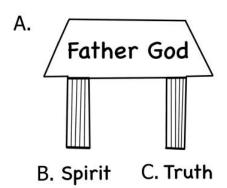
God is Spirit, therefore, God's kingdom is a spiritual kingdom wherein Jesus Christ is now King of kings and Lord of lords.

The House of Worship

In the house of worship, we are called:

- A. To worship Father God
- B. Worship in the Spirit
- C. Worship in truth

New Testament House of Worship



Jesus Christ said, God, is Spirit.

God is Spirit and therefore, we are to learn to worship, live and walk in the Spirit and be led by the Spirit.

When we truly learn to worship God in the Spirit, we move from worshipping in the flesh and soul to worship in the spirit.

When we believe and are born again of the Spirit, our spirit will be made alive by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, when we truly worship in the Spirit, the Holy Spirit will infuse our worship. When the Holy Spirit infuses our worship, God's glory and power will flow through us in worship.

In Holy Spirit-led worship, the river of life flows through us and God's river and light are released in the room and the atmosphere.

The spirit of man is the candlestick of the Lord.

Pro 20:27 The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.

When we worship in the spirit in harmony and unity together, God's voice and power and glory will be released.

Rev 14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

God's kingdom, domain and power for salvation will be released.

Rev 19:6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

True Believers live in the Spirit

<u>True believers live and worship in the spirit because they are set free by the law of the Spirit</u> of life.

This was Apostle Paul's teaching as he explained what Jesus Christ had done for us.

Apostle Paul was a mighty man of God, a spiritual man and a man of the scriptures.

He was a man of the word of God for he was one of the best upcoming Pharisees, who were trained in the Hebrew scriptures.

Php 3:5 Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, *of* the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee;

He was a spiritual man because he was converted by a powerful encounter with Jesus Christ that left him blind for three days.

After that, he was rejected by most of the apostles for he had been a persecutor of the believers before he was saved.

He ended up in the desert of Arabia where Mt Sinai was, there he was taught by Jesus Christ himself, by revelation, visions and encounters.

So he understood that true believers live, walk and worship in the spirit built upon the truth of the scriptures.

Gal 1:12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. Gal 1:17 Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

The Law of the Spirit of Life

As a spiritual man, Apostle Paul wrote the book of Romans.

He said that we, as believers, through faith, live through the law of the spirit of life.

Rom 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

What does the law of the Spirit of life make possible for us:

- 1. Made it possible to be born again of the Spirit and the kingdom of God
- 2. Has set us free from sin
- 3. Has set us free from death
- 4. Has released rivers of life in us

Joh 7:38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

5. Has released the baptism of the Holy Spirit and fire in our lives as we believe and receive

Act 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

6. That we can live in the spirit.

- 7. That we can walk in the spirit
- 8. That we can worship in the spirit

Live, Walk and Worship in the Spirit

We are called to live in the Spirit.

Gal 5:25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

In Romans 8, Apostle Paul teaches us that we also have to learn to walk in the Spirit.

If we walk after the Spirit and learn to abide in Christ, through the Holy Spirit life, in our spirit, we will live

When we learn to live and walk in the Spirit, we will be easily led by the Holy Spirit.

Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Therefore, we are to learn to walk in the spirit.

The true Christian life, therefore, is to live and walk by the Spirit.

• Out of this lifestyle, Apostle Paul says we also worship in the spirit.

Php 3:3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

What Spirit?

An important reason for learning to worship in the Spirit is that we grow in discernment.

Heb 4:12 For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

God is Spirit and we are to worship the Father in Spirit and truth.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

We could ask in what spirit are we to worship?

The answer is that we learn to worship with our spirit in the Holy Spirit.

As people are bound to rock and roll or Hinduism, New Age or Buddhism and have not been delivered, these influences have entered into the church. Some have brought these influences into the worship service.

- These spirits or influences come through the soulish realm into manifestation, they do not bring in the true work of the Holy Spirit.
- The Holy Spirit's infusion comes into a worship meeting as we truly worship, have repented, been delivered of dark spirits and been bornagain.

All the other powers of rock and roll, Hinduism, New Age, Buddhism need to be broken, repented off and cast out.

My Own Worship Purified

When I was baptiesd with the Holy Spirit and fire, I started to speak in tongues.

I was by myself when this happened, and it changed my life.

Later on, when I learnt how to sing in tongues, some people became uneasy with my spiritual song. I was still a young believer and as the fire of the Holy Spirit intervened, impurities came up. In my soulish life, I was still bound to some curses, I renounced the darkness that I was still connected to.

There were some satanic bondages to my former love of rock music and sinful places that I had visited as a sinner before I was redeemed.

Later, I received much more deliverance as I repented and renounced my former sins.

Then my singing in tongues and singing a new song in the spirit were clean and harmonious.

As I became more confident in singing in tongues and in the spirit, I use it as a weapon of breakthrough.

Psa 149:6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand;

Worship in the Spirit

We are to worship with our spirit and in the spirit, moved by the Holy Spirit.

Many believers have a hard time doing this because they are bound by the god of reason.

Therefore, by their reasoning, they stay in the soulish realm.

Apostle Paul says we are to cast down every high thing and every thought to the obedience of Christ.

2Co 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Our weapons are spiritual and mighty.

2Co 10:3-4 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (4) (For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

Our worship is not in the flesh or the soul, but in the spirit empowered by the Holy Spirit. The word 'mighty' that Apostle Paul is talking about here is the Spirit of might, which is one of the 7 Spirits of God, which is the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

Isa 11:2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

The fullness of the Holy Spirit is seen as the 7 Spirits of God burning before the throne of God.

Tongues of Fire

On the day of Pentecost, the apostles were filled with tongues of fire.

Act 2:3-4 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. (4) And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Why tongues of fire?

- So, our spirit is set on fire.
- So, we learn how to be on fire and stay on fire.
- So, we learn how to sing, worship, and pray in the spirit.
- So, we learn to live and walk in the spirit in our first love.

Sing with the Spirit

Apostle Paul was a spiritual apostle.

He worshipped, prayed, and sang in the spirit and with tongues of fire.

He said that he prayed in tongues more than all of them.

1Co 14:18 I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:

He said that we must also sing and worship with our spirit.

1Co 14:15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

Spiritual Songs

Apostle Paul was very strong about living in the spirit and being sensitive to the Holy Spirit. He said that we were not to quench the Spirit.

1Th 5:19 Quench not the Spirit.

He knew that the life of a believer is all about living in the flow and rivers of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, he said, that we are to sing and make spiritual songs.

Eph 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Apostle Paul knew that we are called to worship the Father in spirit and truth, therefore, he said that we had to make and sing spiritual songs.

This is through our spirit.

Spiritual songs are songs of the Spirit, with our spirit in the Holy Spirit.

Feast of Tabernacles

We are to grow up from Passover to Pentecost into the Feast of Tabernacles.

- 1. At Passover, we are saved and born of the spirit and the kingdom of God.
- 2. At Pentecost, we are filled with tongues of fire and baptised with the Holy Spirit.
- 3. At the Feast of Tabernacles, we are called to fullness. In this place, rivers flow out of us.

At the Feast of Tabernacles, Jesus Christ said, For rivers of living water shall flow out of your inner being.

He said 'rivers' as in the 7 rivers, which is the fullness of the 7 Spirits burning before the throne of God.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

This is a picture of the Last Days Worship of glory in the fullness that will fill the earth.

Living Water turning to Worship

Jesus Christ shared deep insights to the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well. He shared insights about the Holy Spirit, eternal life and worship.

Joh 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

He said to her, through having faith in Me, that I am the Messiah, you will receive eternal life.

He also said to her that the Holy Spirit will come in you like rivers of living water.

He taught us here that worship is of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, as we worship Him and the Father, the Holy Spirit will be poured out in our midst and in our lives.

These rivers will also bring forth from you worship in spirit and truth.

In the Charismatic movement, tradiation worship went through a large change into Holy Spirit led worship which brings down the presence of God in our midst.

In Kathryn Kuhlman and Benny Hinns healing services, the Holy Spirit moves as the worship to the Father and Son climbs.

Benny says that as he reaches the high place of worship, the move of the Holy Spirit is released. In his healing services, after the worship, he comes back to that high place as he ministers the Lord's healing.

The next 7 points will explain it more fully and deeply.

7 Points about the Holy Spirit and Worship

Joh 7:38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

Joh 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

Joh 4:22-23 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. (23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

1. The gift of eternal life

Jesus Christ said to her, I am God's gift to you.

Joh 4:10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

2. Promises of living water

This is the Holy Spirit that has come when we are born again and have received eternal life.

3. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit or baptism of the Holy Spirit

Jesus said that this living water will spring up powerfully.

This is the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Joh 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

4. From life comes light

The life of the Word releases light into this world.

5. Worship

<u>Jesus said to her that God is Spirit and we are to worship in spirit and truth.</u>

As the living water springs up in us, it will release worship.

The springing up of the fountain will release:

- Holy Spirit's worship
- Holy Spirit-led worship.

6. The truth

Worship in spirit and truth will release life, light, and the workings of light, conviction and freedom. For the truth sets free.

7. Fullness and fire

The 7 rivers of John 7 releases the fullness and holy fire in the worship of Revelations 4.

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Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Chapter 5: Worship in Truth

Worship in Truth

When the Lord Jesus Christ talked to the woman at the well, He taught her the 2 pillars of the house of worship.

The 2 pillars of the house of worship are in Spirit and in truth

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

In this chapter, we are going to delve into the pillar of worshipping in truth.

The Glorious Truth

There is great glory found in the truth, for when God revealed His glory to Moses, He also revealed that truth was a part of this glory.

Exo 34:6-7 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, (7) Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear *the guilty;* visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth *generation*.

- ❖ Truth is not legalism, but truth brings life and freedom.
- We see this truth in this, that God so loved this world that He gave His only Son, that whoever will believe in Him will have eternal life.
- That is why Jesus said that He is the way, the truth, and the life.
- When we receive these glorious truths, then we receive eternal life.
- These truths set us free from the law of sin and death to give us eternal life.
- Enter into the glory of the truth as you worship the Father in spirit and truth.

The Father's Patience

Our God, in His truth, is patient, for He wants many to be saved so they have life and will not be condemned.

2Pe 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Therefore, when we worship in the truth, there is no condemnation, instead, there is life and glory!

The way God the Father works in worship is that when His presence is there, it is for His glory to transform us.

When we encounter His love, His goodness, grace and mercy in the presence of His glory, we want to become like Him.

The worship leader and the musicians need to learn to live and abide in the glory of His presence and encounter God's glorious presence so they can be changed.

At the dedication of the temple of Solomon, they praised God for His goodness and the glory of God came down so that they were all overwhelmed by His glory.

2Ch 7:3 And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.

The Spirit of Glory

We are called to worship in the spirit.

The Holy Spirit is full of glory and in His glory, He is also full of love, goodness, mercy, and truth.

The Holy Spirit is also called the Spirit of glory and is therefore full of glory and full of truth.

1Pe 4:14 If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.

The glory of the Spirit of truth will transform us.

In this glory, the Holy Spirit is also patient, for this is His true nature, for He is one with Jesus Christ and the Father.

As we learn to wait on the Lord in our personal quiet time and our personal time of worship, we need to behold His glory.

As we learn to live in these realms of glory before His holy throne in intimacy and worship, we are transformed from glory to glory.

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

It says, 'even as by the Spirit of the Lord'.

So, who is transforming us from glory to glory? It is the Spirit of the Lord which is also the Spirit of truth.

When we encounter the manifest presence of the Spirit of the Lord, which is the glory, we are undone, overwhelmed, and transformed.

One of the reasons that we are undone, overwhelmed, and transformed in these moments is because we encounter God's glorious truth in the glory of God and in the spirit realm.

Great Freedom

There is great freedom in these ways of worship, whereby we enter the realms of glory, which is our inheritance.

As we learn to live and worship in the glory, we have gone past the veil, past the veil of the flesh and soul.

We are being set free by the Spirit of the Lord, which is also called the Spirit of truth.

2Co 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Here we see the unity in the glory between Jesus Christ, the Father, and the Spirit. For it says, now the Lord (this is Jesus Christ and the Father) is that Spirit.

Therefore, as we learn to live before His throne in worship, it brings freedom for in this throne room worship is greater freedom whereby we meet the godhead.

Pensacola Revival and the Truth

In the Pensacola revival, there was a lot of praise and worship which released the Spirit of glory in the meetings.

Lindall Cooley, the worship leader, would play the keyboard and lead much of the worship.

Steve Hill, the evangelist, would preach a strong truthful sermon.

After this, there was a young girl, Charity James, would sing, I am running to the mercy seat.

People would be convicted by the glorious Spirit of truth and run to the altar.

The Spirit of Truth

Jesus Christ calls us to worship in spirit and truth.

The Holy Spirit is also called the Spirit of truth.

Joh 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Not only is the Holy Spirit the Spirit of glory but also the Spirit of holiness.

❖ Therefore, He also convicts of sin, righteousness and of judgment.

Joh 16:8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

As believers, when we are convicted of sin and confess our sin, we will be forgiven and washed clean by the blood of Jesus Christ.

1Jn 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The Holy Spirit does not condemn us but convicts us so that we are cleansed and receive life.

Today, the Holy Spirit also releases His holy fire in worship sessions, for He wants to purify us through His holy fire.

During this worship, the Holy Spirit then releases the spirit of judgment and burning for He wants to clean the worshippers to allow them to become part of the bride of Christ.

Isa 4:4 When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

This is the work of the Holy Spirit, which is also the Spirit of truth.

Joh 14:17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

In What Spirit do we Worship?

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The Bible shows us clearly that we are to worship in spirit and truth for God is holy.

Therefore, we worship through the Holy Spirit in spirit and truth.

The Holy Spirit is holy.

Isa 6:3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Therefore, if we ask what spirit we are to worship, we can answer - through the Holy Spirit who is also the Spirit of Truth.

Joh 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

However, today we need to learn to move in the discernment of the Holy Spirit, for a lot of demonic spirits have bound many worship leaders and musicians by deception and sin.

Satan also wants to be worshipped and is trying to deceive the worshippers to bring worldly entertainment into the houses of God.

A Fallen Angel

Before Lucifer rebelled and was cast out of heaven, he was the spirit that led worship. He was the anointed cherubim.

He has built-in musical instruments in his body and was beautiful.

Eze 28:13-14 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created. (14) Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

He was cast out of heaven because he wanted to be worshipped and put himself above the throne of God.

Isa 14:13-15 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: (14) I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. (15) Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

Satan was cast out of heaven and, today, he seeks to be worshipped through rock and roll and music and fallen religions that do not follow the truth of Jesus Christ.

Satan's last weapon will be to be worshipped as the antichrist and through the image of the beast.

Keith Green

As a young boy, Keith Green learnt to play the piano and his fame spread fast.

He grew up in a family that was open to different religions, their gods and ascended masters.

He was in a music band and went on a spiritual journey, following Krishna and other gurus.

Then he saw that Jesus Christ was different.

He said, either Jesus Christ was right or wrong in what He said, for there is only one truth.

Keith saw that he had to let go of all the other gods to follow Christ.

He saw that Jesus Christ was the way.

Joh 14:6, 7 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

He then started to produce prophetic gospel songs.

Keith sang about the true way and the life, many were saved and baptised.

He even went further than that, as he started a school for disciples.

He taught that we must become radical in our lives and message.

We must become spiritually clean and pure.

Keith had broken with the musical influences of Lucifer he had been under and told others to do the same.

The Soul and the Counterfeit Spirit

A lot of believers and worship leaders have not yet learnt how to live in the spirit and how to be led by the Holy Spirit.

It is important to learn to live in the spirit and to be led by the Holy Spirit so we can really worship in the Spirit.

As many of the worship leaders, singers and musicians have not learnt to live in the spirit, their worship is mostly soulish.

The soul is an area where demonic bondage is seated and, therefore, counterfeit spirits can take over and receive the glory.

Today, many churches have become seeker-friendly, and their worship services have become entertainment and performance orientated.

God is calling for a worship service to worship the Father in Spirit and truth.

True worship is worship in the Spirit and not the soul.

Throw your Rock Music Away

In 1984, I was baptised with the Holy Spirit and with fire in Kona, Hawaii, USA.

Two days after I was filled with the Holy Spirit, the Lord said to throw away my pornographic material. On the third day, He said throw your rock and roll music away.

The unclean spirit, rock spirit and religious spirit work together, their base that they work out of is the soul.

As I had been baptised with fire and my good choices, I never went back to pornography and rock and roll. Glory to God for this.

The Idol is in the House

Not long after that, I was asked to come to a Christian concert.

The musicians acted as if they were rock and roll singers, their music was rock and roll.

❖ I could not enter into their way of doing things for I would quench the Holy Spirit in my life.

1Th 5:19 Quench not the Spirit.

Then the Lord started to teach me pure praise and worship.

As I grew up in my faith walk, I learnt that the idol of rock and roll and a religious spirit was tolerated in the house of worship.

However, in those places of entertainment and performance, the Holy Spirit rarely moved. Statistics show that between 60 to 80% of pastors are bound by pornography.

This means many pastors, and these worship leaders have not truly repented of rock and roll and idolatry for it is rebellion and witchcraft and binds you to the idol of pornography.

Cultural occultic music and dancing are also demonic and these people are bound to the idol demon. It takes repentance at the cross of Christ and His blood and Holy Spirit fire to be truly set free.

Only if you truly repent can you learn to worship the Father in the spirit and worship in the spirit and truth.

The Jezebel Spirit

Many worship leaders were already called when they were in the womb of their mother.

Jer 1:5 Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, *and* I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

Worship belongs to the prophetic realm.

In this realm of worship, the strategies of heaven are revealed and the plans of the enemy exposed.

2Ki 3:15 But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him.

Therefore, the enemy attacks and binds those called ones for the worship ministry when they are young.

Many get bound through hurts and wounds, some even sexually abused.

Therefore, many struggles with sexual sins.

They need a lot of inner healing and deliverance before they can minister.

The spirit of Jezebel especially likes to bind them for once they are free, they will harm this unclean witchcraft spirit through their worship.

Rev 2:20 Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

Time for Cleansing

Now is the time for us to cleanse ourselves from the work of the flesh and the soul.

Now we need to repent where we still worship out of the soul and flesh.

We need to pray, repent and let the fire of the Holy Spirit cleanse us where we are still praising and worshipping out of the flesh and soul.

Wherever there is bondage or rock and roll, pornography, idolatry, and pride in our life, we need to ask others to minister to us.

If there are counterfeit spirits in your life, get deliverance.

Today is the day of cleansing but also separation.

God is purifying the bride, but the whore of Babylon is also forming who is worshipping the image of the beast.

Now is the Time to Worship in Truth

Now is the time to worship!

Now is the time to worship in the spirit and in truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Our western worldview is a worldview of reason, and therefore, is built on the mind.

God's view for us is to become a spiritual priesthood.

We need to shift from a carnal-minded based faith to a living faith that is based upon our born-again spirit.

Now is the time to learn to live, walk and worship in the Spirit and truth.

- The second pillar of the house of worship is the pillar of truth.
- ❖ Without the truth, there is no true discernment.
- The truth sets us free of the darkness, lies and works of the demons and devil.

Joh 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

The devil has tried to set up his counterfeit spirit in the house of worship, for he wants to put his throne above God's throne.

He did not abide in the truth.

Joh 8:44 Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

Therefore, now let God's holy fire and truth of the word set you free from any counterfeit spirit. Then learn to truly worship in the spirit and in truth.

Last Day Truth

In these Last Days, the truth will be very important.

Believers have to make a choice by following Jesus Christ as the truth or be deceived by lies. These days, many will follow the antichrist spirit because they do not love Jesus Christ as the only truth.

2Th 2:10-11 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. (11) And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

The Truth of Heaven and Hell

One of the foundational truths is the truth about heaven and hell.

Heb 6:2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

God is holy, therefore there has to be a place of eternal judgment.

When people do not believe in these truths, they display a mocking spirit against the holy presence of God.

We need to have the fear and reverence of God in our worship and His holy fire in the worship will burn more in us as we embrace these truths.

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In worship, His holy fire will burn more in us as we embrace these truths.

Then this holy fire and the truth will purge us, cleanse us and set us free.

There is Freedom

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

This is the Spirit of the Lord God, where there is holy glory.

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

In this place of worshipping the Father of glory, there is no condemnation, but freedom, through being changed and transformed from glory to glory.

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Chapter 6: Intimate Worship

Beholding the Glorious Lord

<u>Intimate worship is found in beholding our glorious Lord.</u>

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Yet Christ opened the heavens so now our worship is before the throne of God in heaven.

Beholding His glory is adoration which is part of worship and is found in the Spirit.

In the Bible, we are called to behold Him, and then we will be changed from glory to glory. Beholding Him will release His presence in our lives in a greater way

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

It says here that we are changed from glory to glory by the Spirit of the Lord, and then in verse 17, it says that where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom.

2Co 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

This beholding will lead us to the restoration of the fallen hut of David, which we will discuss in the next chapter.

Act 15:16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

The Shining One's Revival in Rwanda

We are called to be the shining ones.

Once, there was a revival that spread from Rwanda to Kenya, in this revival, the believers were called the shining ones.

At night, when it was dark, they were shining forth light, you could see them as they were glowing. As soon as non-believers came near them, they would repent of their sin.

I talked to an African man from Kenya who had been in it, and he said they knew that the key for this revival was to behold the Lord.

The River of Heavenly Worship

Beholding Christ and the Father as an act of intimate worship lies in living beyond the veil.

2Co 3:16,18 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. (18) But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

We need to believe Christ's blood took the veil away and we are now invited to live beyond the veil, which is found by living and worshipping in the Spirit.

This takes us to the place of beholding His glory in the spirit.

When we live and worship there, a river of heavenly worship is made available for us.

Rev 14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

Beholding the Son of God and the Father's Glory in Heaven

As believers, we are called to live and worship in the spirit.

Our hope takes us beyond the veil so we can behold the Son and Father of glory seated on the throne as we worship.

Heb 6:19 Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;

The scripture shows that Jesus Christ is now seated on the right hand of our majestic Father in brightness and glory.

This is what we need to focus on when we worship and behold Him, the one glorious God.

Heb 1:3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Apostle Paul says that we are called to seek the things that are above, in heaven, so that we can behold the Son of God on the throne and worship with heaven.

Col 3:1-3 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. (2) Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. (3) For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

'Revere' a 24/7 Worship Live Stream

The worship leader from this 'Revere" live stream worship said:

"As we have gone from traditional worship to worship in the spirit in the presence of God, we were forever changed.

The work of the Spirit in our worship is to change us.

It is less about our efforts in worship, more about true surrender.

From intimacy to intensity into the fear of God where we fall down and cry holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty."

The Biblical Words for Worship

The biblical words for worship demonstrate what worship should be about, reverence, bowing down or falling down before the Lord.

Love, honour, adoring, and giving glory are all part of it which we will discuss more in Chapter 8 on intimate throne room worship.

Ministering to the Lord and serving are also part of worship.

Hebrew Words for Worship

The Hebrew word is Shachah which means

- 1. Prostrate in homage to royalty or God
- 2. Reverential worship
- 3. Bow down
- 4. Fall down (flat)
- 5. Humbly beseech (prayer)

Greek Words for Worship

The Greek words for worship are

- A. Proskuneo which means
 - 1. Worship

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

- 2. To prostrate
- 3. Reverence
- 4. Adore
- 5. To kiss

B. Sebomai which means

1. To revere

Act 16:14 And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul.

- 2. Feeling of awe
- C. Lat-ryoo which means
 - 1. Worshipper
 - 2. To minister to God
 - 3. Serve or do service

Php 3:3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

- D. Doxa which means
 - 1. Glory

2. Worship

Luk 14:10 But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee.

Being One

We are called to oneness.

Oneness brings forth intimate worship.

The glory river and its intimate worship are found in oneness as we behold Him beyond the veil.

Joh 17:22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

Oneness with God's presence is found in abiding.

When we behold Him in intimate worship and as a lifestyle, we grow in oneness and abiding, which will release His presence in our lives in a greater way.

His presence is His glory.

Jesus said that when we abide in Him, we will bring forth much fruit.

Joh 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

As we are in this oneness during intimate worship in the spirit, we will bring forth spiritual songs and heavenly worship. Then it will be on earth as it is in heaven.

Eph 5:18-19 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; (19) Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

The First Love

We are called to live in our first love, this is where intimacy and intimate worship is found. Salvation is by grace, not by works.

Out of this grace, we worship.

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

So, therefore, first love is found in grace.

Intimate worship is found in and comes forth out of our first love.

First love for the Father and the Son of God as they first loved us and found us.

Rev 2:4-5 Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. (5) Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

Now we are giving you many of the ways to grow in intimate worship.

Here I have put many important disciplines and streams of the Holy Spirit together.

Intimate Worship Ways

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Intimate worship ways

1. Worshipping in the spirit

Now is the time to worship the Father in spirit and truth for God is Spirit. Therefore, intimate worship starts with learning to worship in the spirit.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

We are called to make spiritual songs by learning to sing in tongues, for this is in the spiritual realm. When we sing and pray in tongues, the Holy Spirit helps us to stop worshipping and praying in the flesh or the soul. He then releases us to worship in the spirit so we can behold the Lord and Father who are Spirit.

1Co 14:14-15 For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful. (15) What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

As we receive and make spiritual melodies and spiritual songs, the heavens start moving and we will start to see in the spirit and receive visions and encounters as the heavenly realm around us is activated.

Eph 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Rivers of Life and Heavenly Songs

This singing in the spirit releases the river of life in our spirit which will flow through our soul and body and will bring more fullness, healing, and freedom.

Joh 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

Singing and making new spiritual songs will also release the heavenly songs and move of God down to earth.

Rev 14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

2. Holy Spirit led worship

As believers who are born again of the Holy Spirit, we are called to worship in the spirit.

The Holy Spirit is the life source or river of life in us.

Our worship is, therefore, to become Holy Spirit led worship.

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom and, therefore, Holy Spirit led worship brings true freedom.

2Co 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

The new song or the song of the Lord is where the Holy Spirit sings a new melody or song through our spirit.

Eph 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

There is a place where we sing with our spirit and a place where the Holy Spirit or the Spirit of the Lord takes over.

This is also where the breaker anointing is moving.

1Co 14:15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

When we learn to let the Holy Spirit worship through us, then the holy glory of God will really start to come down.

2Ch 5:13-14 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD; (14) So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

Those types of songs glorify God.

The Hallelujah song is on that level.

3. Worship and Adoration

As we worship the Father by kneeling and kissing Him, we are adoring Him.

He is the greatest and our all in all.

Adoration lies in the deep surrendering of ourselves to the almightiness and glory of God.

Psa 123:2 Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so our eyes wait upon the LORD our God, until that he have mercy upon us.

We see this adoration in heaven's worship as the 24 elders fall down and worship the One who sits upon the throne.

Rev 5:14 And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

4. Beholding Him

As we worship in the spirit and through the Holy Spirit and adore Him, we are called to behold Him. When we behold Him in intimate worship, we will live in the realm of the Holy Spirit and will be changed from glory to glory.

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

During the transfiguration on the holy mountain, Jesus Christ was beholding the Father. As He beheld Him, His clothes started to shine with holy and glorious light.

Mat 17:2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

His face was shining as the sun.

Out of this glorious beholding, Christ drove the demon out of the demon-possessed boy who was being thrown into the fire.

Mat 17:18 And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour.

Therefore, in this kind of beholding worship, signs, wonders, miracles, and salvation will happen. When we come in and learn to behold Him who is on the throne, worshipping in the spirit and through the Holy Spirit, we will lose the concept of time.

It will cause us to become undone, physically wrecked, and broken of self.

This will make us look like Jesus Christ in worship and, indeed, in our appearance.

This is why the shining ones in Rwanda and Kenya gave off a light at night.

Waiting on the Lord

In worship, one of the ways of beholding is waiting on the Lord.

Isa 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Waiting on the Lord will help you to be renewed in your strength and soar in the spirit like an eagle. This will also help you to surrender yourself and your soulish life so that you can learn to live and worship in the spirit.

Psa 103:5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6. Stillness, Quietness, Rest and Victory

Heaven is a place where there is pure worship.

In heaven, everything is focussed on the Lordship of Jesus Christ or the Lamb and the Lord God Almighty.

Rev 4:8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

It also says that heaven's worship has stillness.

Rev 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

James Goll

James said that learning to be quiet before the Lord is one of the greatest challenges we face today in our quest to enter in and experience true intimacy with Him.

First love

He is our focus in worship and is our Lord and the Lord God Almighty who helps us grow in our surrender and Lordship as we love Him with all our hearts.

Our first love is living in love with God through intimacy.

Stillness, quietness and rest in worship as we behold Him, will help us to grow in our intimacy and our first love.

He says to be still and know that He is God.

Psa 46:10 Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

Through our faith in Christ, we become still and quiet with our spirit in worship and enter His rest. The result will be victory over sin, problems, and defeat.

Psa 62:1 Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from him cometh my salvation. Exo 14:14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

7. Practising His Presence

In true Holy Spirit worship in the spirit, God's presence will come down but also infuse us from the inside out.

We see God's glory presence come down as the priest's worshipped the Lord for His goodness.

2Ch 5:13-14 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD; (14) So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

True intimacy is found in God's presence.

We are called to live a lifestyle of living in the presence of God.

King David understood this and he said that the one thing he desired was to dwell in the house of the Lord and to behold the beauty of the Lord.

Psa 27:4 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; 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 enquire in his temple.

King David had learnt to practise the presence of God and to behold the beauty of the Lord on his harp in worship.

He was called to build the tabernacle of David, which is also called Zion, where the presence of God dwelt.

This is where they worshipped before the Ark of the Covenant and the presence of God was there. This is where the Lord of the angel armies brought victory over Israel's enemies as 3000 priests worshipped.

Psa 24:6-10 This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah. (7) Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. (8) Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. (9) Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. (10) Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

8. Surrender

As the glorious holy presence of God is moving in worship, we need to open our hearts for His presence.

To grow into intimate worship is to engage with His presence.

The spirit of burning and cleansing will also want to change us so the daughter of Zion will bring forth the real worship.

Isa 4:4 When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

Therefore, we are to surrender to the work of the Holy Spirit.

In the garden, Jesus Christ surrendered to the will of the Father. He said, not my will but thine. Mar 14:36 And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

So, we need to surrender to the cleansing fire of the Holy Spirit.

9. Brokenness

The true sacrifices in worship lie in brokenness.

Psa 51:17 The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

God wants to take away our flesh-life by His love, grace, and glory, so we live totally in the spirit and worship in the Spirit.

The cross of Christ is where brokenness happens, so let the Holy Spirit break you of self-will, selfishness, me, myself, and I.

Then you will grow in deep intimate worship.

Through this process, oneness with your beloved will result.

10. Oneness and Abiding

Oneness is found in the fear of the Lord and the holy glory of the Lord.

As we worship Him, we are to behold the beauty of the Lord and receive the fear of the Lord. When we are in oneness with God's presence, it will dwell with us and in our home, church, and nation.

Psa 85:9 Surely his salvation is nighthem that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.

Oneness is found in true intimacy as we fear Him and live in the holy glory.

In John 15, Jesus Christ teaches clearly about oneness.

In Greek, oneness is the same word as abiding.

Joh 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

Abiding

In Greek, abiding is Meno.

Meno means:

- Abiding
- Oneness
- Tarrying
- Union
- Communion
- Fellowship
- Dwelling

The Holy Glory

God's holy glory is also the source of true oneness.

In John 17, Jesus calls His Father the holy Father.

Joh 17:11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.

Then He asks us to be sanctified and to receive the glory which comes out of Father's holy presence, which brings true oneness.

Joh 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

Joh 17:22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

In our worship, we need to press into the holy glory realm of God's presence.

In this glorious presence, we need to learn to wait, be still and become one with Him.

In this oneness, we will grow in intimacy in our worship and our first love.

This will give us victory in Christ and will bring forth much fruit.

Growing in the Fruits of the Spirit

As we are in deep worship and encountering God's glory and the Spirit of the Lord, deep glory is released.

When we are in this place, we are called to learn to abide in the Spirit of the Lord, which is being in Christ.

When we abide, we are called to bring forth fruit.

Joh 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

Firstly, this is the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

In the glory of God, there is love, kindness, goodness, these are the fruits of the Spirit.

Gal 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, (23) Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

If we truly worship, we will surrender more and more. Our abiding will grow and, therefore we will bear much fruit.

One of the foundations of a true prophet is that he lives and ministers out of the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

If he ministers out of the fruit of the Spirit, especially the fruit of love, he ministers out of the heart of God.

My Testimony of Growing in Oneness and Worship

In 1996, I had a job working on the maintenance of the roadside. I was in a big 4-wheel drive pick-up with hazards signs to warn the traffic to slow down.

It was a job where I had to do a lot of waiting.

I used that time to meditate on scriptures.

At this time, the Lord showed me that true worship was of the Holy Spirit in the spirit.

The way to live was to grow in waiting on the Lord and becoming quiet and still so that we can grow in oneness.

That was a great revelation.

Yet the problem I had was the difficulty for me to be quiet and still on the inside.

I was still facing a lot of emotional trauma in my soul that was not healed. This stopped me from learning to live in oneness with the Holy Spirit and the presence of God.

This led to years of pressing into inner healing and deliverance for myself.

This has helped so much and now it is so much easier to learn to live and worship in intimacy in the Holy Spirit.

Oil for 5 Wise Virgins

The Lord says to the church at Laodicea to buy gold and oil, gold so that we may be truly rich and oil so that we can see.

Rev 3:18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

We need to buy oil now; this oil is found in intimate worship where the holy fire and refiners fire is burning.

We need to fill our bottles or flasks now with the oil, so we are ready for the bridegroom to take us away in the catching away.

1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

This school of intimate worship is here to get you ready to be part of the glorious bride.

The Priesthood of Melchizedek gives Rest

Deep intimate worship lies in oneness, out of which comes a quieting down of our soul and becoming still to live and worship out of God's rest.

Heb 4:9-11 There remainesh therefore a rest to the people of God. (10) For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. (11) Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

The book of Hebrews is the New Testament's book on the priesthood.

This book shows us that Jesus Christ is the High priest according to the priesthood of Melchizedek.

Heb 5:8-10 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; (9) And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him; (10) Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

The whole book of Hebrews is there to explain this heavenly priesthood. This priesthood and its kingdom in Christ bring rest, peace or shalom.

Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

For this priesthood is built upon grace and truth.

Heb 4:14-16 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. (15) For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. (16) Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

For Jesus Christ came to bring grace and truth, which is found in God's divine nature.

Joh 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Joh 1:17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

That is why Jesus Christ said that He would give you rest for your soul.

Mat 11:28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The Law condemns us and gives unrest, but grace and forgiveness give rest or shalom.

The Spirit versus the Flesh or Soul

According to scripture, there is a battle going on between our spiritual man and the flesh.

Rom 8:12-14 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. (13) For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. (14) For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

To live and worship in the spirit is to live as a son of God.

The Greek word *Huios* that is used here, talks firstly about living out our godly nature, which is out of godliness and the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

Secondly, doing the works of God out of the Spirit of God.

Rom 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

We are not just to be spiritual, but spiritual out of godliness.

Psa 4:2-3 O ye sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory into shame? how long will ye love vanity, and seek after leasing? Selah. (3) But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.

Therefore, as we worship out of the truth which set us free of the works of ungodly behaviour, the work of the flesh and soulish sensuality.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Today there are a lot of New Age people who try to be spiritual but are not saved by the truth. When they get saved, they still need to let God's redeeming process bring them to deep repentance and much deliverance in the ongoing work of the second P of sanctification, progressive sanctification.

1Jn 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

These are the ways to reach the place of deep intimate worship.

<u>Chapter 7: David's Tabernacle and Worship of the Son of</u> <u>God</u>

Heaven's Worship

The book of Revelations shows us about heaven's worship.

In heaven, God the Father is worshipped and so the son of God is also worshipped as the Lamb on the throne.

Rev 5:8-9 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. (9) And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

The 24 elders sang a new song of worship to the Lamb of God as they had fallen down in worship They sang, 'You are worthy to open the seal of the book'.

We are to worship in spirit and truth so that we can join heaven's worship.

Old Testament, A Prototype of Heaven's Worship

The Old Testament has two prototypes of heaven's worship. It also talks about two different types of priesthood.

The 2 prototypes are the tabernacle of Moses and the tabernacle of King David.

We see both come together in the temple of King Solomon, where God's glory was poured out.

2Ch 5:13-14 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD; (14) So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

We can learn great lessons from all three.

As New Testament believers, we have to look through the eyes of Jesus Christ and learn that New Testament worship is worshipping the Father, who is seated on the throne in heaven, in spirit and truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

God is omnipresent, so all over the world, we have access to worship Father God, who is on heaven's throne, through faith in Jesus Christ.

The veil is gone and now we are called to behold Him on the throne so we can be changed from glory to glory.

2Co 3:16-18 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. (17) Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. (18) But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Moses saw Heaven's Pattern

Moses received the pattern for the tabernacle from God on Mount Sinai.

It was a shadow of heavenly things.

Yet, because man was not born-again, and God is holy, a veil had to be put in place so that priests would not die in the holy presence of God.

Heb 8:4-5 For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law: (5) Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.

It says that the priests under the Law served unto the example and shadow of heavenly things.

Yet the high priest according to the order of Melchizedek, which is Christ, is the fulfilment of the heavenly things.

Heb 8:1 Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

The tabernacle of Moses and David is not the end result.

It is only a shadow, and we must now become free of the old ways and worship in the freedom of the Spirit of the Lord.

Yet we can learn some deep truths in the Old Testament tabernacles.

The Tabernacle of Moses

The Lord said to Moses, you shall make an Ark of the Covenant with a mercy seat on it.

The Ark was one of the 7 pieces of furniture that he had to make for the tabernacle.

Exo 25:10 And they shall make an ark of shittim wood: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof. Exo 25:17 And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

So, Moses made a tabernacle, which we call the tabernacle of Moses, it had 3 areas:

- 1. The outer court
- 2. The holy place
- 3. The holy of holies

The tabernacle of Moses had 3 compartments with 2 veils.

1) The outer court contained:

- i) The brazen altar
- ii) The laver
- 2) The holy place contained:
 - i) The 7-armed candlestick called the Menorah
 - ii) The table of showbread
 - iii) Altar of incense
- 3) Holy of holies contained:
 - i) The Ark of the Covenant

Every piece of furniture had a purpose.

Yet today, Jesus Christ has fulfilled it all by His death, burial and resurrection and is now seated on the throne in heaven.

Therefore, in the book of Revelations, we will see many of this furniture in heaven's worship as well which we will teach in the next chapter.

The Tabernacle of David

King David was called by God to make a prototype or a shadow of heavenly worship and New Testament worship.

They were called to worship before the Ark.

There was no veil between the priest and the Ark of the Covenant.

1Ch 16:4 And he appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:

The difference was still that their worship focus was on earth where the presence of God was on the Ark, and they were not yet born again of the Spirit.

We are born again of the Spirit and our worship is before God on heaven's throne.

My Own Discovery of David's Tabernacle

As a young believer, I was in awe of the stories of God's holy presence on Mount Sinai, which was burning with fire.

It says that the mountain melted like wax.

Psa 97:5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

I trembled as I heard how the earth split open and consumed Korah, Dathan and Abiram.

Then it shook me as I read about how God consumed the two sons of Aaron as they brought strange fire into the holy place of the tabernacle of Moses.

Our God is a consuming fire to His enemies.

Then, one day, I was reading how King David was placing 3000 priests in front of the Ark without a veil in the tabernacle of David.

I thought, how can this be?

This surprised me, for I thought they would all be burnt up.

So I prayed about it and God showed me that deep truth about the priesthood of Melchizedek.

Psa 110:4 The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

This was a foreshadowing of Christ taking away the veil and opening heaven for us so we can be born again of the Spirit and the kingdom of heaven.

The Ark of the Covenant's Holy Presence

At the tabernacle of Moses, there were veils.

When David moved the Ark of God's presence to Jerusalem, God's plan was for the priests to worship before the Ark of God's presence without a veil.

King David took the Ark of God's presence from the house of Obed Edom and brought it to Jerusalem.

King David then placed the Ark of the Covenant in a tabernacle he had made for it, which we call the hut or tabernacle of David.

2Sa 6:17 And they brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in his place, in the midst of the tabernacle that David had pitched for it: and David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.

The difference between the tabernacle of Moses and David was that in the tabernacle of Moses, there were 7 pieces of furniture but in David's tabernacle only 1.

The next big difference was that God had said to King David that he had to put 3000 Levite priests before the Ark of the Lord without a veil to worship Him.

1Ch 16:4 And he appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:

They worshipped the glorious I am on the Ark.

1Ch 16:25-31 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also is to be feared above all gods. (26) For all the gods of the people are idols: but the LORD made the heavens. (27) Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place. (28) Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength. (29) Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. (30) Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved. (31) Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.

Now they were worshipping before the Ark with the golden mercy seat on it, to teach us that Jesus Christ would be the high priest in Zion according to the order of Melchizedek.

King David even prophesied; You are a high priest of the order of Melchizedek.

Psa 110:2-4 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. (3) Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth. (4) The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

Solomons Temple

King David wanted to build the temple, yet he was not allowed to.

Through Nathan the prophet, God said that David's son would build the temple.

2Sa 7:4-5 And it came to pass that night, that the word of the LORD came unto Nathan,

saying, (5) Go and tell my servant David, Thus saith the LORD, Shalt thou build me an house for me to dwell in?

2Sa 7:12-13 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. (13) He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

So, David's son, King Solomon, built the temple.

When they worshipped God in the temple, at the dedication of the temple, the glory of God filled it.

2Ch 5:13-14 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD; (14) So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

The New Testament Restored Tabernacle of David

When Jesus Christ came, it says that He came to be seated on the throne of King David.

Firstly, He did this spiritually, by giving His life as a ransom on the cross.

Then He arose and ascended on high and is seated on the heavenly throne.

Act 2:31-33 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption. (32) This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. (33) Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

By this, He restored the fallen tabernacle of David.

Act 15:16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

Therefore, Christ had poured out the Holy Spirit so we can be born of the Spirit and worship in spirit and truth.

Now all can seek God and get saved as they see the true believers worship God intimately. Today, many churches are worshipping and now God wants to teach us to worship the Father in spirit and truth as we behold Him on the throne.

Next, we are going to study the words of worship and praise as they are in the Hebrew language.

Words for Worship and Praise in Hebrew

- 1. The Hebrew word for worship is *Shachah* which means prostrate in homage to God (see chapter 6 for more detail).
- 2. The Greek word for worship is *Proskuneo* which means worship. (see chapter 6 for more detail)

New Testament Praise and Worship

Now we are called to go from New Testament worshipping of the Father in spirit and truth to also sing to Him and praise Him.

New Testament worship, therefore, has to flow out of the spirit.

Through the Holy Spirit, we are called to worship, sing and praise the Lord.

There is no formula, but we need to be led by the Holy Spirit.

7 Hebrew Words of Praise in the Spirit

Now we will show you the 7 Hebrew words for praise.

As we worship in the Spirit, we use these different forms of praise.

These 7 words of praise are powerful ways to praise the Lord.

However, today's worship is New Testament worship and praise is to flow out from it.

New Testament worship is through faith, from our spirit, for we are to worship in the Spirit. Therefore, to use these 7 different ways or styles of praise in a praise and worship service, it has to flow from the Spirit, led by the Holy Spirit.

When we do it this way, God will be glorified and He will move through His Holy Spirit in the worship service.

7 Hebrew words of praise are:

1. Todah

Todah is thanking God, by faith, what He is going to do because of who God is. We thank Him for the finished blood sacrifices of Christ and His victory.

Psa 50:23 Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God.

2. Hallal

Hallal is where the word Hallelujah comes from, which is a word found worldwide. It is the act of praising God with all of your being.

This act will look foolish to unbelievers.

Psa 22:23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.

3. Barak

Barak means to kneel, to bow, to honour God.

Psa 95:6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

4. Yadah

Yadah is surrendering our self in praise as we lift our holy hands up to God.

1Ti 2:8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

5. Shabach

Shabach is joyfully shouting to the Lord. It is the sound of victory.

Psa 63:4 Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.

6. Zamar

Zamar is anointed instrumental praise and worship as we sing and praise.

Psa 144:9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery *and* an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.

7. Tehillah

Tehillah praise and worship is to make a new song unto the Lord.

This song is a mighty weapon against the spirits of darkness, the principalities and evil powers, for through it they are wiped out.

Psa 149:1 Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.

Psa 149:6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand;

We also call it the high praises and in the New Testament, as we are born again and filled with the Holy Spirit, we call it a spiritual song as we sing in tongues, make a new melody and a new song.

1Co 14:15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

True Worship

The first people that worshipped the Son of God were the wise men and the shepherds.

When the Son of God was born, a star was above the stable in Bethlehem.

The wise men had followed the star which predicted the birth of the coming Saviour.

They came to Israel for they wanted to worship the King of the Jews.

Mat 2:2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

When they came to the house where the Son of God had been born, they entered and fell down as an act of worship, and worshipped Him, the Son of God.

Mat 2:11 And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

Christ the Lord Born in the City of David

When Christ was born, there was an announcement made by the glorious angels of the Lord.

The angel said that in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord, was born.

The shepherds praised God for sending His Son.

Luk 2:9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

Luk 2:11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Luk 2:13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Luk 2:20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

The wise men had worshipped Christ the Lord.

Lord comes from the Hebrew word YWH or God which means Lord.

He was born in the city of David for Christ was going to rebuild the fallen tabernacle of David and rule upon the throne of David.

God the Son

In the Bible book of John, it says that all things were created by the Word of God. Genesis shows us that El Elohim, which is God the creator, created the world.

Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Therefore, God the Son, who is the spoken Word, created all things.

Joh 1:1-3 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (2) The same was in the beginning with God. (3) All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

The book of Hebrews agrees that all things are created by God through God the Son.

<u>Therefore, God, the Son is the creator, and all other people and spiritual beings are created.</u>
The book of Colossians also teaches this.

Col 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

Therefore, we are called to worship God the Son who came to us as the Son of God.

The Son of God came out of the heart or bosom of God the Father.

Joh 1:18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.

Believe in the Son of God.

Jesus Christ reveals who He was to the blind man that He healed at the Pool of Siloam. He asked him, do you believe in the Son of God.

Joh 9:35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?

The man believed and worshipped the Son of God as Christ revealed this.

Joh 9:38 And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

The Apostles Worship the Son of God

Early on, Apostle Peter knew that Jesus Christ was the Messiah and the Son of God. When the Lord gave the great commission and ascended before their eyes, they were amazed. The result was that they worshipped Him.

Luk 24:52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:

Here we see that we are called to not only worship God the Father, but also God the Son. We worship Him because God is one and the Father and Son are one, and Christ is part of the Godhead.

Col 2:9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

Chapter 8: Intimate Throne Room Worship

You are Worthy of it All

One of the most anointed songs today is 'You are Worthy of it All'.

This song connects is with the worship in heaven.

<u>Today</u>, we are called to learn to be sensitive in the spirit during worship so that we can learn to be one with heaven's worship.

Real worship is spirit-led worship.

For, now is the hour to worship the Father in spirit and in truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Our Father God is in heaven, where all true worship ascends to.

In heaven, our worship goes into the golden altar of incense which is before the throne of God.

Rev 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer *it* with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

Therefore, our true spirit-led worship, which is like incense, touches the heart of Father God, who is seated on His throne in heaven.

Heavenly Saints are Beholding God



In heaven, the main place is the throne of God, where God is seated in majesty and glory.

<u>All the heavenly saints and angels are beholding Him on the throne and worship Him!</u>

They are excited to see God who is seated on the throne.

Rev 7:9,11 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; (11) And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

On earth, we are also called to behold Him who is on the throne as we worship Him. Through the glory of God, we are changed from glory to glory as we behold Him.

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

The veil is gone, and we are seeing him as through a glass, dimly.

The Spirit of the Lord will give visions of heaven and the worship of God in heaven.

As we meditate upon the scriptures of heavenly worship shown especially in the book of Revelations, it will also become more real to us.

Rev 14:1-3 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. (2) And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: (3) And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

Worshipping the Father of Glory

We are called to worship the Father, who is also called the Father of glory.

Eph 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

Intimate throne room worship is found in the realm of the holy glory.

In this place where we worship the Father of glory through the Spirit of glory as it becomes real to us through revelations and encounters, we will be changed from glory to glory.

Our faith has to become real through the Rhema of the word of God that the Holy Spirit gives. Then we experience His love, goodness and kindness and it will become tangible in our lives. In this place of the flow of the oil of the Spirit of glory, who is the Spirit of the Lord in intimate throne room worship, our hearts and hurts are healed.

This is because the Spirit of the Lord will be poured out in our lives as we worship the Father of glory, this will lead to the healing of the broken-hearted and the setting free of captives.

Isa 61:1-3 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; (2) To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; (3) To appoint unto

them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

My Own Inner Healing

I am a worshipper who has learnt to worship the Father of glory in intimate throne room worship. In these last years, as I worship the Father of glory on my guitar or keyboard, He has poured out the Spirit of the Lord God.

His anointing oil and anointing glory have healed my broken heart as He poured it out over my heart time and time again.

At those times, I also received visions, dreams, revelations, and encounters of His loving Father of glory heart.

This has changed me from glory to glory.

Harp and Bowls

<u>Today</u>, we are called by God to be part of the intimate throne room worship.

Around the throne in heaven, worship is occurring all the time.

There is harp and bowl worship and intercession in heaven.



Rev 5:8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.



In heaven, there are 24 Elders seated on 24 thrones.

They are most likely 12 Patriarchal saints of the Old Testament and 12 New Testament saints who were overcomers.

Their passion is to also worship the living God and the Lamb of God.

It says they sang a new song.

Rev 5:9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

The prayers of the saints that were in the bowls have come up from the earth to heaven and worship is a part of this.

This is where our intimate worship and intercession becomes one with heavens intimate throne room worship and intercession.

Gateway of Angels

When Jacob fled from his brother Esau, he had to travel a long distance on foot.

One night, when he was very tired, he put his head on a stone, which was his pillow, and went to sleep.

Then he had a dream of an open heaven.

Gen 28:12-13 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it. (13) And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I *am* the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

He said this is the gate to heaven.

In his dream or vision of the night, He saw a ladder set upon the earth.

Angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

The Lord stood above it in heaven.

If this happened to Jacob, this can happen for you.

Anna Rountree

In the book of Anna Rountree called "Heaven awaits the Bride" we see a similar story.

She was taken into the heavenly realm.

In this encounter, she was told that the Last Day Believers have to get to know the gateways into the heavenly realm.

They said the church will go through major battles and receive great attacks. To survive, we need to learn to live in an open heaven. (Rountree, 2007 Page 6)

Angelic Vision

In August 2021, I had an angelic vision.

He said, what do you want?

I said, miracles for the salvation of many souls.

He then showed me the ladder that was shown to Jacob.

Angels were ascending and descending.

He said, go up, so, in the spirit, I went up as I was worshipping on the keyboard.

Then I saw a vision of many angels worshipping in heaven.

Then, in the vision, I saw God's throne and the angels said, Let now the heavenly sounds from the throne room worship flow through you as you worship God the Father and breakthroughs for miracles will come.

Robin Harfouche and Heaven's Worship

Robin was a paid dancer in Hollywood. She was saved under the ministry of Christian Harfouche while she was still single. They later got married.

One day, the Lord took Robin to heaven where she saw how they worshipped and danced before the Lord in heaven. The heavenly saints were praising the Lord with all their spirit, soul and body in heaven, out of passion and love. Then the Lord showed her the Last Days ministry on earth. The Lord said when the worship of the earth becomes one with heaven, then the greatest miracles will happen. She saw big fields with people praising the Lord. On stage, the worship leaders were in tune with the worship of heaven and worshipped the Lord in great unity. The worship on earth was one with heaven's worship. The result was that the greatest miracles that the world had ever seen were happening.

Worship in Heaven

The clearest vision of heavenly worship is to look through the heavenly worship of the 24 Elders.

The 24 Elders lives are fully surrendered.

When the 4 living creatures said holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, the 24 Elders were overwhelmed by the holy presence of God.

Rev 4:8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about *him;* and *they were* full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

As we know from Isaiah's vision about the Seraphim's worship, the doorpost was shaking and the house was filled with the holy smoky presence of God.

Isa 6:3-4 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. (4) And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

Then as the holy smoky presence of God is moving in, In worship, Isaiah says, I am a man of unclean lips.

Therefore, we can conclude that these 24 Elders also see this holy smoky presence of God moving and go into the *Shachah* worship as they fall down before God.

Rev 4:10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

It says that they worship Him who is on the throne.

Here we see intimate throne room worship in full action.

They cast their golden crowns before Him.

They were overwhelmed by God's holy presence.

Therefore, they say, Thou are worthy to receive glory, honour and power.

This is where the words from the song 'You are worthy of it all' are from.

Here we see heaven's 24/7 worship of the Lord God Almighty who is holy and God's Lamb.

We are also called to enter into heaven's worship.

24 Elders Deep Throne Room Worship

All things are created for the glory of God, and He has a purpose for all things.

The 24 Elders understand this, and they obey God and work with God's purposes to worship Him in all of this.

There are 6 places about their worship unto God.

We are giving all these biblical references so you can meditate upon these scriptures to receive revelation and understanding on the inside.

6 Heavenly Scenes of 24 Elders Worship.

1. Revelations 4:4, 10 – the 24 Elders seated on their seats, in white clothes with golden crowns upon their heads, worship and cast their golden crowns before our God.

Rev 4:4,10 And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold. (10) The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

2. Revelations 5:8 – the 24 Elders worship, they all have harps and golden bowls, they sing a new song.

Rev 5:8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

3. Revelations 5:13,14- All creatures worship God, The 24 Elders fall down in worship because of this.

Rev 5:13-14 And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. (14) And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

4. Revelations 7:9 – As the many who had come out of the great tribulation were saved, multitudes give praise, the 24 Elders worship.

Rev 7:9.11,14 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; (11) And all the angels stood round about the throne, and *about* the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, (14) And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

5. Revelations 11:16 – when Christ takes over the kingdoms of this world, 24 Elders worship.

Rev 11:16 And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,

6. Revelations 19:4 – when Babylon is judged, the 24 Elders worship.

Rev 19:4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.

The Temple in Heaven

There is a temple in heaven.

It is the heavenly temple.

Rev 11:19 And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.

This heavenly temple is the original temple of the temple that King Solomon built.

The tabernacle of Moses and the tabernacle of David also have their origins here.

God has shown these things to Moses, and that is why they talk about the song of Moses in the Book of Revelations.

Rev 15:3,5 And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints. (5) And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:

In the End Time, the 7 bowls of judgment are going to come out of the heavenly temple, while the 7 seals and the 7 trumpets are loosened from God's throne.

Heavenly Furniture

Our New Testament worship is built upon worshipping God the Father, who is seated on the throne and is omnipresent, in spirit and truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

- ❖ Today, God the Father wants us to grow up in our understanding of intimate throne room worship.
- There was furniture in the tabernacles of Moses and David and Solomon's temple.
- ❖ All these pieces of furniture were a shadow type of heavenly furniture.
- ❖ Yes, in heaven there is also furniture, but most of it is spiritual.

The Heavenly Furniture Pieces

1. God's throne



The Ark of the Covenant was a shadow type of God's throne.

In the Old Testament, they came before the Ark.

Today we are called to come with boldness before the throne of God, yes the throne of grace.

Heb 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

2. The Golden altar of Incense



The golden altar of incense is in heaven.

Rev 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

In the Old Testament, burning incense was placed on it.

In heaven, our worship and prayers are placed on it to make a sweet incense unto the Lord.

3. The 7 Spirits of God



<u>The 7-Armed candlestick or Menorah was a shadow type of the 7 Spirits of God who</u> burn before the throne.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

The 7 Spirits of God, who are the 7 lamps burning before God's throne in the fulness of the Holy Spirit made manifest in the Bible.

We are called to let the fullness of the 7 lamps of the Holy Spirit burn in us.

The 7 Spirits of God and Worship

- The 7 Spirits of God are important in intimate throne room worship.
- ❖ The 7 Spirits of God is the fullness of the Holy Spirit and wants to bring fullness in our intimate worship.
- They are before the throne and therefore help us to come into the fullness of experience, the fullness of glory and fullness in the intimacy with God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We need to have spirit-led worship so that the 7 Spirits of God can bring us into the greater levels or measure of Holy Spirit led worship.

Remember the 7-Armed candlestick is a shadow type of the 7 Spirits of God before the throne.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Names of the 7 Spirits of God

The book of Isaiah reveals the names of the 7 Spirits of God.

Isa 11:2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

Apostle Paul calls the third Spirit of the 7 Spirits of God the Spirit of revelation.

Eph 1:17-18 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: (18) The eyes of your understanding being

enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

All the glory of the 7 Spirits of God comes from the Father of glory.

Therefore, the Father of glory wants to give you a Spirit of revelation, so you understand how throne room worship functions.

Father of Glory and Deep Intimacy

The Father of glory wants you to worship Him in spirit and truth.

In this worship in the holy glory realm, the Father of glory wants you to have a deep, intimate relationship with Him.

This deep, intimate relationship lies in the glory of the Father of glory whereby the 7 Spirits of God pour out this glorious intimate love, goodness, kindness, mercy, etc. in your heart.

Eph 1:17, 18(AMP) (For I always pray to) the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, that He may grant you a spirit of wisdom and revelation (of insight into mysteries and secrets) in the (deep and intimate) knowledge of Him, by having the eyes of your heart flooded with light, so that you can know and understand the hope to which He has called you, and how rich is His glorious inheritance in the saints (His set-apart ones)

The Holy Spirit ministers this love of the Abba Father into our hearts.

Rom 5:5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

The Spirit of the Lord God, who is the Spirit of glory, who is one of the 7 Spirits of God is here to set you more deeply free and to heal your heart.

Isa 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

The Spirit of knowledge will lead you and teach you the deeper secrets of this intimacy you can have with the Godhead.

Enter the 7 Spirits Realm Worship



As we come before the Father of glory on the throne in worship, He is calling us up higher.

Rev 4:1 After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

He is calling us to enter into worship in fullness.

To worship in fullness is to step into the 7 Spirits of God led worship, which is before the throne of God.

The Angels showed me the way

The angels that came to me in the visionary realm as I was worshipping showed me the way.

He said, go up through the open heavens which come through Jesus Christ our Lord.

He used the imagery of Jacob's ladder of angels ascending into heaven.

There in heaven, I was in a place of worship from afar and he wanted me to enter the throne room worship to be closer.

Therefore, I come up higher into the realm of the 7 Spirits of God led worship before the throne of God.

We need to surrender to this higher place of worship where the 7 Spirits of God, of which the Menorah is a shadow type of, burn in us.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

In this place of fullness of worship, the 7 Spirits of God will take over the worship in me and through me.

As a worship leader and musician, the sounds and worship of the 7 Spirits of God will flow through us and lift up the worshippers.

We then go up into the higher realsm of worship.

Then the Spirit of might will release the angelic armies into battle and victory.

The Spirit of might is one of the 7 Spirits of God.

This will release Holy Spirit signs, wonders, healings, and miracles for salvation as they repent.

The House of Tephillah

The Lord Jesus Christ cleansed the temple of the evil corrupt salesman.

He quoted the scripture from Isaiah where it says in the Hebrew my house shall be a house of praise and prayer (Tephillah).

The Hebrew word for Tephillah was used here.

Therefore we can call the tempe the house of Tephillah.

Isa 56:7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.

It says in the house of Tephillah there will be joy.

Worship, prayer, and praise bring down the throne and presence of God which releases joy. For in the presence of the Lord is fullness of joy.

Psa 22:3 But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.

Tephillah

Tephillah is a Hebrew word and means:

❖ A Hymn or a prayer. (**Strong, 1990** *8605*)

Tephillah was known in Israel as singing, praising and praying the scriptures.

This happened before the Ark of the Covenant at the tabernacle of David.

The result was that God gave to them revelations which they wrote down.

Many of these revelations become psalms which we see and read in the book of Psalms.

Psa 1:2-3 But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. (3) And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

The house of prayer is therefore a house of praise, worship and prayer.

Therefore, the worship in the temple was a shadow of worship in heaven.

Therefore, heaven is the true place of worship and prayer.

We see harps and bowls in heaven that was used by the 24 Elders.

Rev 5:8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

These harps in the book of Revelations, stands for worship and the bowls for prayer.

The prayers of the saints are taken to heaven and placed on the golden altar of incense before God's heavenly throne.

Rev 8:3-4 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. (4) And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

The incense then ascends before God who is seated on the heavenly throne.

Therefore, our worship on earth ascends to heaven and becomes one with the worship in heaven as we worship and honour God.

Our worship is purified on the golden altar of incense in heaven.

A New Song

In that place of worship on their harps in heaven and prayer, the 24 Elders sing a new song.

Rev 5:8-9 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. (9) And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Therefore, we go from Tephillah (Strong,1990 8605) to Tehillah (Strong,1990 8416) worship.

- This is where the 7 Spirits of God bring breakthroughs in our worship and prayer from before the throne of God.
- * This is the worship where God inhabits the praises of His people.
- * This is where the authority of God's majestic throne room power and might breakthrough over His enemies.
- King David calls this the high praises.
- When the high praises, which is the new song of the Lord, break forth, the evil kings are bound and judged.

Psa 149:6-9 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; (7) To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; (8) To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; (9) To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

Meaning of the Hebrew word Tehillah (Strong,1990 8416)

The meaning is a hymn or praise.

In New Testament worship, we focus on worship in the spirit whereout we praise and sing. True worship, as we see with the 24 Elders, is deep surrender, reverence and brokenness. Out of this, we minister to the Lord and we praise and do intercession.

Spiritual Song

In the New Testament, we are called to be filled with the Holy Spirit. When we feel empty, we need to be filled to overflowing.

Out of this overflow, we are called to sing spiritual songs.

Eph 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

These spiritual songs are the new songs of the Lord.

These songs are filled with mighty breakthrough power.

Apostle Paul also talks about Tephillah and Tehillah.

This means we sing hymns, pray, and sing spiritual songs.

Col 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.

The harp and bowl model is right here in the scriptures and the next level is the song of the Lord.

Miracles in the Temple

When Jesus said, My house shall be a house of praise and prayer (Tephillah) many sick came into the temple.

He then started to heal all the blind and the lame.

The atmosphere of miracles made the people break out in praise.

Mat 21:13-16 And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves. (14) And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them. (15) And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; they were sore displeased, (16) And said unto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?

The scribes were upset, yet the children said, hosanna, Son of David, for He is the Messiah. Therefore, the Lord Jesus said that out of the mouths of babes, You have perfected praise. Here we see the joy of the Lord is in the house of God. For in the presence of the Lord is fullness of joy.

All Honour, Glory and Worship Unto Our God

All of our worship has to be directed to God and the Lamb of God.
Jesus Christ cleansed the temple of all idolatry.
Therefore, our worship is all about You, Father God and the Lamb of God.
For You have created all things and unto You is all created.
Therefore, we only worship You and give You all the glory. Amen.

Chapter 9: Our Worship and Conversation is in Heaven

Our Worship is in the Spirit

In the last chapter, we saw that our worship has to go from singing psalms and hymns to singing a new song.

(Col 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.

- We explained that we go from the natural man's prayer and worship to the spiritual man, who is a new creation.
- ❖ Therefore, we go from Tephillah prayer and worship to Tehillah prayer and worship. Why is this so?

This is because the Lord Jesus Christ said now is the hour to worship the Father in Spirit and truth.

(Joh 4:23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

- * Therefore, we are called to pray and worship in the spirit (our born-again spirit).
- Our calling is to pray and worship by the Spirit (the Holy Spirit).

We are called to worship in spirit and truth.

Therefore, the true worship of the Holy Spirit will transform the worshipper because of the truth of the Holy Spirit.

If this does not happen, then the truth is being compromised.

Must Worship in Spirit

God is a Spirit.

Jesus Christ said we must worship Him in spirit and truth as God is Spirit.

(Joh 4:24) God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Through faith, we are born again of the spirit and the kingdom of God.

Now we have access to the Father on the throne as we worship Him.

God is Spirit and worship in the spirit is the way of deep worship to glorify Father God.

It says that we sing with our understanding and we sing with our spirit.

(1Co 14:14,15) For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful. What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

When we pray and sing in an unknown tongue, our spirit is praying and singing. Jesus said that believers shall speak and, therefore also, sing in new tongues.

(Mar 16:17) And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

Jesus Christ said that the worshipper must worship in spirit and truth.

Therefore, we must learn to sing with new tongues so that our spirit is singing.

The natural mind wants to stop this, but we must break through by singing in tongues, then we will receive mysteries, visions, and encounters of God's glorious being.

The River from Within

We have rivers flowing from within us. Yes the kingdom of God is within us.

(Joh 7:38) He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

- ❖ Today we have to come up higher and, therefore, learn to flow from the 7 rivers within our spirit in intimate worship and prayer.
- Through the intimacy of the Holy Spirit, we enter the realm of the Holy Spirit within us.

Then we also start to sing in our new tongue (heavenly language) which is a gift.

- Our focus is on the giver as we love the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and use the gift of our heavenly language in singing and praying in tongues to stir up the fire of the Holy Spirit within.
- As we do this, the Holy Spirit will start to flow more from within, with the living water, holy fire and glory, and then the visions and encounters will start to increase.

(2Ti 1:6,7) Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Our Conversation

Where is your conversation?

- ❖ Apostle Paul said that our conversation is in heaven.
- Our conversation and citizenship are in heaven.

(Php 3:20) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

In Colossians apostle Paul says that we should see the things above where Christ is seated on the right hand of God the Father on the throne.

(Col 3:1) If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

Our worship is called to be in the spirit and by the Holy Spirit to Father God who is seated on the throne.

This is why our conversation is called to be in heaven because our citizenship is in heaven, for we are a new creation.

As believers, we are born of the Spirit and born of the kingdom of heaven.

The kingdom of heaven is the government of heaven.

Our prayer and worship is to be one with our holy God who is seated on the throne of the kingdom of heaven in heaven.

The Seraphims above God and His throne say, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God of Hosts".

(Isa 6:3) And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Our focus in worship should be on our holy God who is seated on His holy throne in the kingdom of heaven.

Our Worship Service is Spiritual







A Question:

❖ Is our worship service an event or is our worship service to be a spiritual gathering?

Our Lord Jesus Christ laid the true foundation of a worship service.

He has said, now is the time to worship God the Father in spirit and truth.

(Joh 4:23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

- ❖ Therefore, our worship service is a spiritual gathering in a natural place.
- Our worship service has to be a place of worship in spirit and truth, not an event. Apostle Paul showed us this clearly by saying, I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with understanding.

(1Co 14:15) What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

Why do we sing with our spirit?

We sing with our spirit and we also sing with tongues, for our conversation is in heaven.

(Php 3:20) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

People and believers of the flesh are naturally minded and enemies of the cross and the crucified life.

(Php 3:18 - 20) (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

Therefore, true worship is the born-again spirit who loves God with their whole heart, soul, mind and spirit.

For our conversation is in heaven and we have to seek the things above where Christ is seated on the right hand of Father God as the one we worship in spirit and truth.

Which Worship in the Spirit

❖ Apostle Paul was after the high calling of God in Jesus Christ.

In Phillippians 3, he explained that he had to let go of all the things he had built up as a zealous religious pharisee.

In this way, he explained what real worship is.

He said that true worship is of the spirit.

(Php 3:3) For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

The Amplified version says it is of the spirit and led by the Holy Spirit.

As we worship, we do not have confidence in the flesh, therefore natural-minded Christians are called to become spiritually-led believers.

In this chapter, he says that we are called to worship in the spirit and that our conversation is in heaven for our worship is in the spirit and is directed to our holy God, the Father in heaven.

(Php 3:3) For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

(Php 3:20) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

Christ is the reason why we gather in a worship service, yet, to receive our worship in spirit and truth.

A Place of Equipping

God has given the five-fold ministry to the body of Christ.

(Eph 4:11,12) And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

The five-fold ministry is here to perfect the saints by equipping them.

The apostolic and prophetic ministry is to help believers walk, live, worship, and minister in the spirit and by the Holy Spirit.

A worship service is also the vehicle or place to be equipped to learn to worship in spirit and truth.

As believers, we have to learn to live in the spirit 24/7.

The worship service is a place for learning how to live in the spirit.

The Truth and God's Fire for Transformation

We are to worship in spirit and truth so that the Holy Spirit's fire and the Holy Spirit truth will bring repentance, brokenness and transformation.

To who is our worship?

Our worship is to our holy God in heaven.

Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life, as we believe in Him and are born again, we go in to worship our heavenly Father God.

Our Lord God, who is, Yahweh Elohim, is the monotheistic Creator of heaven and earth.

The Lord God is holy.

Our Worship is to a Holy God

Now is the hour to worship God the Father in spirit and truth.

(Joh 4:23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

God the Father, who we worship in spirit and truth, is holy and a holy consuming fire. Out of His holy fiery presence, the whole earth is filled with His glory.

(Isa 6:3) And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Constantly the seraphim angels say, 'Holy, holy, holy' to the Lord God as He is seated on the throne.

Ezekiel saw the Lord God or Yahweh Elohim coming as a great cloud with a fire within.

(Eze 1:4) And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

On Mount Sinai Israel saw God as a consuming fire.

They saw God as holy consuming fire on Mount Sinai that melted the mountain like wax as God descended on the mountain.

(Psa 97:2-5) Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne. A fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about. His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled. The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

Later on, Ezekiel saw our Lord God nearby and describes God's being to us.

He saw God and His throne, like a blue sapphire stone, in the level above where the fiery cherubims were.

The Lord God appeared as a holy amber colour fire coming from within and out of this came a brightness which shone forth as rays like the rainbow colours.

(Eze 1:26-28) And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it. And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about. As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

The Holy Angels are in Fear, Worship and Reverence

Hebrews 12 shows us that, in Christ, we have come to the throne of God, to heavenly Zion, Jerusalem and a multitude of angels.

(Heb 12:24) And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

Through Christ Jesus, we are born into heaven's family and the assembly of the firstborn.

However, the Lord God is also the God of heaven's angels.

This is why He is also called the Lord God of Host or Yahweh Elohim Tsebaoth.

(Isa 6:3) And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

The different kinds and ranks of heaven's angels worship the Lord God of Host in fear and reverence.

(Psa 89:7,8) God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him. O LORD God of hosts, who is a strong LORD like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee?

Out of this reverence, the angel armies fear and worship the Lord God of hosts.

The angel armies are sent out to do their service for the Lord God of hosts.

(Psa 103:19, 20) The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all. Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.

All Have Something

When we assemble together as believers in a worship service, which is to be in spirit and truth, everyone has something to bring.

(1Co 14:26) How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

Why does everyone have something spiritually to bring?

For our conversation is in heaven.

(Php 3:20) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

In the church in the book of Acts, all the members had something to bring.

The modern-day Western church has mentally educated its followers.

In the first church, they knew we needed to worship in the spirit and truth, for our conversation is in heaven.

Our worship is to God the Father on heaven's throne in the name of Jesus Christ.

As believers learn to live in the spirit all will have something spiritual to bring.

Different Words for Worship

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew word for worship is Shachah.

This means bending, lying down in reverence.

The amazing thing is that we see this in the book of Revelation, where the 24 elders lay down in reverence for the Lamb and God the Father.

In the New Testament there are different words for worship and they have different meanings.

When Jesus Christ said that it is now time to worship the Father in spirit and truth.

It has a different meaning than the word worship (or service) in Romans 12:1

This leads naturally-minded mental believers to twist the truth so they do not have to press into living and worshipping in the spirit.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said, 'Now is the time to worship in spirit and truth'.

(Joh 4:23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Therefore true worship is, in the first place, in the spirit.

- Worship in spirit and truth is seeing with the eyes of our spirit, in the spirit, that our God is holy and seated on His holy throne.
- Therefore, we bow before Him in reverence, fear and awe.

Do not let Satan steal this from you.

Yes, of course, we need to have a life of service in the natural that shows our worship in our lifestyle as well

Yes, the truth shall set us free and teach us.

Different Greek Words for Worship

The Greek word that was used by Jesus Christ when He said that we should worship God the Father in spirit and truth was proskuneó which means bowing, reverence and kiss.

This is why Psalm 2:12 says to kiss the Son, lest He be angry.

The Different Words for Worship

1. Proskuneó

Proskuneó means:

- A. to bend, to bow as for a king.
- B. Reverence and act of homage
- C. To kiss

We see this act of worship of bowing, reverence and repentance when the sinner comes to Christ in a worship service where the Lord is worshipped in spirit and truth and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are functioning.

The gift of words of knowledge revealed the sin of sinners in the Corinthian church, therefore, they repented and believed.

(1Co 14:25) And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on his face he will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth.

This will take place when the body of Christ learns to worship the Lord in a holy way in spirit and truth for our God is holy.

To the Samaritan woman Jesus Christ said, 'We are to worship (Proskuneó) in spirit and truth' but He also rebuked Satan and said we only worship (Proskuneó) the Lord God (Yahweh Elohim) in bowing down and reverence.

Satan was defeated by these words and then left Jesus Christ alone.

(Mat 4:10) Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

Heaven's Worship is in the Spirit

The book of Revelations shows us scenes of worship in heaven.

Heaven's worship is in the spirit, where their outward actions reveal what they are doing in the spirit as they reverence God.

The 24 elders fall down in worship to the One who sits on the throne, their hearts are surrendered, humble and full of reverence as they cast their crowns before the Lord and the Father on the throne.

(Rev 4:10) The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

The 24 elders worship the Lamb as they, in reverence, pay homage by falling down in worship in Proskuneó or in spirit and truth.

(Rev 5:14) And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

The Greek word here for worship is Proskuneó which means reverence and bowing.

The angels, 24 elders and the 4 living creatures all fall down in worship with their faces to the ground in Proskuneó worship.

(Rev 7:11) And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

During the tribulation, when the kingdoms of the world become Christ's, the 24 elders also fall down in (Proskuneó) worship as they reverence God and give Him glory.

Worship in spirit and truth is seeing in the spirit that our God is holy and, therefore, in worship we bow in reverence and awe before God.

The book of Revelation shows us this great truth, that God is holy and seated on the throne, and in heaven, they bow down in reverent worship before Him.

Different Greek Words for Worship

We have studied the first word of worship called Proskuneó, which is worship in spirit and this makes us revere God who is holy, therefore, we bow before Him. Let us now look at the second word.

2. Latreuó

Meaning:

- A. To serve
- B. To pay homage and to serve

A. To serve

Our life in the body, work, and family are all called to be an act of worship. This is our worship of the Lord with our body.

❖ Apostle Paul says, 'I plead with you to give your bodies to God'.

He is talking here about the outside and calls it our body, and says that we should serve God with it.

(Rom 12:1) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

This is an act of service or worship.

This service or worship is with our body as we are living in a physical world.

Now, naturally reasoning mental believers say this is the same as worshipping in spirit and truth, but this is not so.

Spirit and truth worship is with your born-again spirit.

With our born-again spirit, we worship in the spirit, live in the spirit, pray in the spirit and minister from the spirit.

We have to learn to see the difference between body, soul and spirit.

(Heb 4:12) For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

B. To pay homage and serve

In the book of Philippians, Paul talks and teaches us this truth about the deep spiritual intimate love God has for us.

He shows that there is nothing good in dead religion, he calls it garbage.

He shows us that true worship is in the spirit and has its home and conversation in heaven.

He says that our worship and intimacy with God comes through faith and faith is of our spirit.

(Php 3:9) And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

Apostle Paul says that our homage and reverence we must do with our spirit. This is the true circumcision.

(Php 3:3) For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

It is of our Spirit

Through our faith, we worship in the spirit and with our spirit, through the Holy Spirit.

Out of the overflow of this, we also serve our families, work and society.

Apostle Paul's call was the deep relationship with Christ which he calls the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, which lies in the spirit.

(Php 3:13) Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

Yes, our true worship is in the spirit for our home is in heaven as we come with boldness before heaven's throne of grace for our conversation is in heaven.

(Php 3:20) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

Heaven's Portals and Doorways

Jesus Christ said, 'I am the door', therefore, He is heaven's portal.

(Joh 10:9) I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Christ is the only way, yes, He is the doorway, or portal, into heaven.

He also said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life'.

He is the only One who can restore our relationship with God the Father, so we can be born of the spirit.

(Joh 14:6) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

As you are born again, see Jesus Christ as your doorway into heaven where our holy God is seated on the throne.

Jesus Christ is the King of glory and He wants to open the ancient gates so we learn to live in the holy glory of God.

Jesus Christ is the ancient gate into heaven.

On the day of resurrection, He offered up His blood through this ancient gate into the temple of heaven.

(Psa 24:9, 10) Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

Jesus Christ cleansed the heavens with His blood, poured out the Holy Spirit and opened up the holy glory realm for us.

The holy glory realm of the King of glory is found in the spirit.

Heaven's Gateway is in the Spirit

It is in the spirit!

Apostle John encountered the holy glory realm.

John encountered this in the spirit.

He said, 'I was in the spirit of the Lord's day'.

(Rev 1:10) I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

The doorways, or portals, of heaven, are opened for us, we need to enter with boldness.

In the End Time, the days will be evil, the way to survive is to learn to live and worship in the spirit before the holy glory of God on His heavenly throne.

This is why worship in the spirit, praying in tongues and singing in tongues is so important.

Then Apostle John said that a door in heaven was opened for Him to see God's throne.

(Rev 4:1) After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

As we learn to worship in the spirit and truth, we will see this holy glory realm where the 24 elders worship in reverence, bowing down before the throne as the Seraphim say, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty'.

We will see this through visions, dreams or as the eye of our spirit receives God's light, we will behold it.

As we behold His face, we will be changed from glory to glory.

(Rev 4:8-10) And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

The Lord of Host

The King of glory is the Lord of Host.

(Psa 24:10) Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

The King of glory is the Lord of hosts and He is holy.

(Isa 6:3) And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

The most important principle in our life is that we are living in the first love.

We are to learn to love our beloved.

We do this by spending time with Him, loving Him and worshipping Him.

As we worship in spirit and truth, through the Holy Spirit, we learn to dwell in His holy presence and holy place.

(Psa 27:4) One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; 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 enquire in his temple.

As we dwell in His holy love in prayer and worship, He will release His holy angels to war for us.

The Lord of Host

- In worship, we have to learn to be in the spirit and learn to live in the flow of the Holy Spirit.
- Worship in the spirit, which Jesus Christ says we must do, starts with singing in tongues which we also call our heavenly language.
- Our spirit is now being activated.

Now, the gifts of the Holy Spirit start to flow so our spirit can start to see the glory of God. As we love and worship our glorious holy God in the spirit and we behold Him, His Spirit will

move us, fill us and sing and pray through us.

(Rom 8:26) Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.



Then He goes before us as the Lord of host, who is mighty in battle, as an answer to our worship and prayer.

Then He goes with His angels to destroy strongholds, set men free and pour out His Holy Spirit with revival fire, transformation glory, redeeming, saving and healing power.