

WORSHIP IS...
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“And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.” (Romans 12:1-2, NLT)

1. Worship is focusing on God

“Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord God, the Almighty, the One who always was, who is, and who is still to come.” (Revelation 4:8, NLT)

“You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For You created ALL things, and they exist because You created what You pleased.” (Revelation 4:11, NLT)

2. Worship is responding to God

“What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us.” - A.W. Tozer

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“This means that every day is a worship experience when your body is yielded to the Lord.” - Warren Wiersbe

3. Worship can be done publicly (corporate worship)

“Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another especially now that the day of His return is drawing near.” (Hebrews 10:24-25, NLT)

a. **Singing**

“Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God and thankful hearts.” (Colossians 3:16, NLT)

b. **Listening to sermons**

c. **Lifting hands in worship, why?**

“Come, everyone! Clap your Hands! Shout to God with joyful praise.”
(Psalm 47:1, NLT)

“In every place, I want men to pray with holy hands lifted up to God, free from anger and controversy.” (1 Timothy 2:8, NLT)

4. **Worship can be done privately (personal worship)**

a. **Meditating on God’s Word/Quiet time with the Lord**

5. **Praying**

6. **Giving of tithes and time**

Growth Work

1. **Worship the Lord even when you do not “feel like it”**

“He lifted me out of the pit of despair, out of the mud and the mire. He set my feet on solid ground and steadied me as I walked along. He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see what he has done and be amazed. They will put their trust in the Lord.”
(Psalm 40:2-3, NLT)

“Let all that I am praise the Lord; with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name. Let all that I am praise the Lord; may I never forget the good things he does for me.” (Psalm 103:1-2, NLT)

2. Worship the Lord with everything we have and all that we are.

“So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.” (1 Corinthians 10:31, NLT)