

# Who shall we worship?

**Worship** usually refers to **specific acts** of religious praise, honor, or devotion, typically directed to a supernatural God.

There is ancestor worship, animal worship, demon worship, goddess worship, idol worship, self worship and even euro or dollar worship.

The Lord commanded His people to worship Him, Kings 17:35-37, “Do not worship any other gods or bow down to, serve them or sacrifice to them. But the Lord Who brought you up out of Egypt with mighty power and outstretched arm, is the one you must **worship**. To Him you shall bow down and to Him offer sacrifices”.

## Psalm 100

- <sup>1</sup> Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
- <sup>2</sup> Worship the LORD with gladness;  
Come before him with joyful songs.
- <sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD is God.  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name.
- <sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

## How do we worship the Lord?

According to Psalm 100 we come before the presence of the Lord. We may sing joyful songs and even shout. Worship is to praise His name and give thanks to God for His goodness, love and faithfulness.

**To worship God is:**

**A submission of our bodies to Him,  
Praise God with our lips,  
Love and adore God with our hearts,  
Communicate with Him in prayer  
and serve Him with our lives.**

**The Bible talks about Spiritual Worship in Roman 12:1**

**What is spiritual act of worship?**

“Offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – **this is your spiritual act of worship**”, Romans 12:1.

**Spiritual worship** is Submission and total surrender of our bodies to God and His will. Our bodies are Temples of the Living God. God desires to live and work in and through our bodies; to rule, reign, control and be His instruments and do His will.

**In the New Testament:** There are several Greek words for worship:

“proskuneo” bowing prostrate upon the ground.

“sebomai”, reverence, venerate

“latreuo” worship and serve, perform sacred services.

The NT idea of worship is a combination of reverential attitude of mind and body and religious service to God. This can be done privately or of a larger body of believers engaged in public services in sanctuary, tabernacle, temple, synagogue, auditorium or a large room.

**The Lord Jesus is speaking as to how to worship in John 4:23,**  
“Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, **for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.** God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.”

**So we worship in spirit.** We need no objects to help us in our worship. We worship with the Holy Spirit leading our worship not our emotions. Our worship must be orderly because God's Words says in 1 Corinthians 14:40 "everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way."

**We worship in truth.** Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life. We worship God in Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus said: "no one comes to the Father except by me".

**We worship in the Name of Jesus.**

Colossians 3:17, "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all **in the name of the Lord Jesus**, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

### **SINGING GLORY PRAISE THE LORD**

**Singing glory praise the Lord, alleluia (3x)**  
**Singing glory, alleluia, praise the Lord**

**O my brother praise the Lord, alleluia**  
**O my sister praise the Lord, alleluia**  
**Everybody praise the Lord, alleluia**  
**Singing glory, alleluia, praise the Lord!**

### **WE BRING THE SACRIFICE OF PRAISE**

**We bring the sacrifice of praise,**  
**into the house of the Lord.**

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**into the house of the Lord.**

**And we offer unto You,**  
**the sacrifices of thanks giving.**

**And we offer unto You,**  
**the sacrifices of joy.**