

TRUE WORSHIP

Today: We'll consider the truth that **"Worship Must Be A Priority"**
The problem is that most people today are asking the wrong question
WHAT CAN GOD DO FOR ME? Instead of **WHAT CAN I DO FOR GOD?**
Consider three elements that we must have for true worship.

I. **THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD** **2 Chronicles 7:1** -

"When Solomon finished praying..." What was his prayer?

A. **The Request For God's Presence** - **2 Chronicles 6:19-21**

The temple was a place built for the Glory of the Lord.

It was a place for his people to worship and praise him.

Solomon requested the presence of the Lord and God showed up.

B. **The Requirement For His Presence** -

Solomon requesting His presence, was not a guarantee that God would come.

God appeared because it was their intention to glorify Him .

God will only bless us with his presence:

When we are a people ready to worship Him!

C. **The Revelation Of His Presence** - **2 Chronicles 7:1**

God came in his glory and filled the Temple.

God will do the same for our church if we have the right heart and motives.

God never changes! **Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 13:8**

II. **THE POWER OF THE LORD** **2 Chronicles 7:2**

We can experience the power of God.

But in order to experience His power.

1. We must realize that something is missing in our life.

2. Be willing to do what is needed to make the proper changes to our life.

III. **THE PRAISE OF THE LORD** **2 Chronicles 7:3**

A. Why did they fall down and praise God?

1. Because they were in His Glorious presence and

2. Because they witnessed His amazing power.

A second motive for giving praise to God - Mercy

Mercy is defined as not receiving a punishment or consequence that is deserved.

Praise God for his mercy!

B. **The Method Of Their Praise** - **2 Chronicles 7:3b**

These people were humble and in communion with God.

If we are going to truly worship God, we must focus on Him!

We have to realize that like love, **"Worship Must Be A Priority"**

Are you being honest with God

Are you honest with yourself – about yourself?

Are you willing to confess and repent?

Are you willing to serve Him?

ARE YOU READY TO WORSHIP?