



CORNERSTONE

FELLOWSHIP

May Awareness

- Bible Study Wed. Nite
Zoom 6:30pm

Book of Romans
- New Hope Food Pantry
Volunteers Needed Please
Call
- Harp & Bowl TBD
- Women's Mtgs. TBD

Prayer Points

- Marriages & Family
Restoration
- Sanctity of Life
- Our Communities &
Neighbors
- Government Leaders &
Law Enforcement
- Healing Cure for COVID
victims & families, 1st
Responders
- Missionaries
- Restoring Employment
to the unemployed
- Reopening of Business

Proper Worship Finds its Expression in Our Relationship with God Through Jesus



Worship should never be confined to music, church offerings, or even a church service. Worship is the theme of Scripture and extends to eternity. The very essence of worship is grounded in his/her love for the one true God in three persons, Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Furthermore, worship entails much more than one might expect. For instance worship brings together the born-again experience whereby we don't worship from Sunday *to* Sunday but Sunday *through* Sunday. In other words the new life transforms our minds & hearts so we live an unbroken life of worship learning to love & obey God more along the way (Romans 12:1-2).

“The English word ‘worship’ is derived from an Old English word ‘worthship’; in other words, worship constitutes those actions & attitudes that revere and honor the worthiness of the great God of heaven and earth.” Worship must be God centered-not man centered. The entire concept of worship revolves around one’s heart drawing close to God acknowledging with thankfulness for what He has done for us all, through Christ His Son. This entire idea of worship is accomplished through saving faith and is inspired through the power of the Holy Spirit throughout one’s entire life.

Worship began in the Old Testament as far back as Genesis (4:26) but did not become public until after the building of the tabernacle where much of the worship was confined to the tabernacle . . . (over)



News Flash!

Our New Nursery is Ready!

We are excited to tell you the nursery is finished & can't wait for you to see it! What remains is new furniture to be installed as soon as we get back to normal attendance. So please keep all this in prayer!



Sunday School Update

Soon to begin is our new children's program outreach on Sunday mornings. We have 2 programs in process & almost ready to go. "A Sure Foundation" for our new borns to 36 months in nursery and "Jesus, What a Savior" for kindergarten-5th grade. Please prayerfully consider joining our teaching/helping team!

and subsequently in the temple. In the New Testament worship came to light in the early church and was normally practiced in & out of private homes (Acts 2:46-47). This experience in the early church was "normal" and I will go on to say, "it is still normal". The effects of worshipping God in everyday life had profound results. Miracles happened daily, people were saved, delivered and set free from sin, sickness and disease. There was joy in the air, people rejoiced and praised God and the Holy Spirit was poured out in great measure! By the way, this was taking place during persecution and the church was growing, families were restored & God was being glorified.

There are 2 key facets, among others which largely affect how we worship. One of them is praising God. This is not learned in the Sunday music service. This develops in the heart through the Holy Spirit and was essential in Israel's worship of God (Psalm 100:4) and in the forming of the early church. Secondly, prayer & the reading of Scripture work interchangeably aligning what God has said with our faith making our prayers effectual giving us peace in our daily walk.

Friends, when true worship takes place in everyday life God is pleased and He responds with blessings. For instance, "He will make our enemies at peace with us" (Pro. 16:7). "He will never leave you or forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5). He will grant us safety, protection and provision (Ezekiel 34:25-28). He will comfort, encourage, and edify His people (2 Corinthians 1:3-4). There are countless others but let us remember that a worshipful life is our exalting reply to God for the great love He has poured out to us through His Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ!

Final Thought About Worship

In our secular world it is very easy to view God as one of us in our fallen nature but God is so far above us. Thus, God Himself through Jesus became the ultimate human displaying the very "image of the invisible God" (Colossians 1:15) and modeled for us the life He meant for us to live. This was our destiny marred by sin and restored by Jesus Christ on the cross!

Coram Deo!