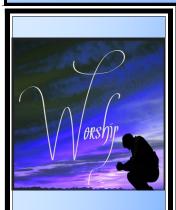
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The Power of a Daily Worship Life



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Or visit us at www.JosephSprowl Ministries.com It has been a while since our last newsletter so I wanted to get at least one more out to our partners before the end of 2021.

What a year it has been. What a year it has been to overcome and act on the Word of God like never before! What a year it has been to press into our heavenly Father like never before! If ever there was a year to dance and laugh in the Spirit and to declare the Word of God it is the year 2021.

I remember a sermon preached by a very fine pastor of mine. This was probably 40 years ago. He said people pray at three different times. 1) In times of crisis. 2) Sporadically or once in a while. 3) Consistently or daily. Which one are you? I want to minister to you in this newsletter not so much on the subject of prayer, but on the subject of worship. I said that because someone has said that praise and worship is the highest type of prayer. I want us to be in agreement right from the start.

Praise is basically thanking the Lord for the many things He has done for us and worship is adoring and loving Him for who He is. Someone wrote a book many years ago and quoting the Lord from a vision he had, said "my people know a little bit about praise but nothing about worship." I really hope we have made some progress since that book was written 34 years ago. Since Jesus is the head of the church only He really knows for sure.

My heart is that everyone reading this newsletter makes the worship of our Heavenly Father a daily thing. My number one goal in this life is to know my Heavenly Father better each day. This has been my quest and it will be throughout eternity. I am not here trying to see how many sermons I can preach, how many newsletters I can write, how many radio broadcasts I can produce or how much money and stuff I can accumulate. My number one goal in life is to know my Heavenly Father. I started out this way almost 46 years ago and it is still this way.

In the book of Revelation it shows worship unto our God. Rev. 4: 6–11. In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back. The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle. Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is, and is to come." Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks

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to Him who sits on the throne and who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say: "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

We have been given the opportunity as the redeemed of the Lord to worship Father God as only the redeemed can. We begin here on earth and will continue even after we leave the earth and go on to heaven. We need to begin here, so it is not foreign to us when we get to heaven. O taste and see that the Lord is GOOD!

Many years ago I used to walk up and down in a branch of the Huron River called Slate Run. It was on my parents property and I would take the time to seek the Lord and just worship Him for hours. I have developed a daily life style of living worship after 46 years. I have set my heart on things ABOVE and not on things on this earth. Col. 3:1 AMPC If then you have been raised with Christ (to a new life, thus sharing His resurrection from the dead), aim at and seek the (rich, eternal treasures) that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. I saw what Jesus said in John 4 many years ago. The Father was seeking worshippers that would worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.

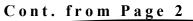
I see so many people wrapped up in social media and getting their daily spiritual BUZZ from that and looking for direction in their lives. Don't get me wrong, there is some good there but the Lord wants us to be led by His Holy Spirit each day. He wants us to know His voice and that can only happen as we spend time with Him. I am talking about developing deep, lasting intimate fellowship with the Lord.

- 1) If you are not used to worship, begin with 5 minutes and gradually increase your time. It is about quality not length anyway.
- 2) This is not the time to make a grocery list or read a book that has a new recipe.
- 3) Shut out the phone, computer, tv etc.
- 4) Put the food away.
- 5) Have your bible with you.
- 6) Pray in the Spirit. You have to get your mind and body quiet. They will be restless but make them shut up.
- 7) You can or choose not to have worship music playing. Remember whoever it is can only take you as far as they have gone.
- 8) You choose the best time of day that works for you.



"God is a Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

John 4:24 AMPC Exalting Jesus, Loving People



I want to toss this in also. Many people go on diets of varied sorts and some have varying degrees of success, but if you really want to keep the weight off you have to make a lifestyle change. Helen and I saw this when we moved into our 50's. We have made lifestyle changes in our eating and it has paid off. What am I saying? If you want a deeper life in the Spirit it takes a decision to continually change. I want to continue tweaking my spiritual life for a deeper walk with Him.

Jeremiah 33:3 AMPC, "Call to me and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things, fenced in and hidden which you do not know (do not distinguish and recognize, have knowledge of and understand).

I Cor. 2:9, 10 AMPC, "But, on the contrary, as the Scripture says, What eye has not seen and ear has not heard and has not entered into the heart of man, (all that) God has prepared (made and keeps ready) for those who love Him (who hold Him in affectionate reverence, promptly obeying Him and gratefully recognizing the benefits He has bestowed.

Yet to us God has unveiled and revealed them by and through His Spirit, for the Holy Spirit searches diligently, exploring and examining everything, even sounding the profound and bottomless things of God (the diving counsels and things hidden and beyond man's scrutiny).

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Psalm 103, take the time to read this entire Psalm. It begins with praise and transitions to worship. He begins by speaking to himself and then gives thanks to the Lord for the many benefits He has bestowed upon him. I want you to see how the AMPC translation speaks of worship in verses 11, 13 and 17. Fear in these verses means reverence.

Verse 11) For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great are His mercy and loving-kindness toward those who reverently and worshipfully fear Him.

Verse 13) As a father loves and pities his children, so the Lord loves and pities those who fear Him (with reverence, worship and awe).

Verse 17) But the mercy and loving-kindness of the Lord are from everlasting to everlasting upon those who reverently and worshipfully fear Him, and His righteousness is to children's children—

He wants to show us great and mighty things about that which is to come and He wants to show His mercy to us and through us. Your worship will also affect the generations to come in your family. The Lord richly bless you as you pursue Him in worship.



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and give thanks for all of His blessings to you this past year!

Helen and I want to wish you and your family a very HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!







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