

Why we Worship the way we do

Our worship is based upon the Bible. The following questions and answers will help our understanding of what the Bible says about worship.

Why Do We Worship God?

“You shall WORSHIP the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.” Matthew 4:10b

How Should We Worship God?

“But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must WORSHIP IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH.” John 4:23-24

“For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the spirit, rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.” Philippians 3:3

Why Do We Stand To Sing?

“Then the Levites, of the children of the Korahites, STOOD UP to praise the Lord God of Israel with voices loud and high.” 2 Chronicles. 20:19

“After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples and tongues, STANDING before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.” Revelation 7:9-10

Why Do We Clap Our Hands?

“OH CLAP YOU HANDS, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph.” Psalm 47:1

Why Do We Lift Our Hands?

“Thus I will bless you while I live; I will LIFT UP MY HANDS in Your name.” Psalm 63:4

“LIFT UP YOUR HANDS in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord.” Psalm 134:2

“Therefore, I desire that men pray everywhere, LIFTING UP HOLY HANDS, without wrath an doubting.” 1 Timothy 2:8

Why Do We Have Audible Praise Unto God?

“Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name.” Psalm 103:1

“Therefore, by Him, let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the FRUIT OF OUR LIPS, giving thanks to His name.” Hebrews 13:15

“After these things, I heard a LOUD VOICE of a great multitude in heaven, saying, ‘Alleluia! Salvation and glory and honor and power to the Lord our God’...And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying ‘Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns.’” Revelation 19:1,6

Why Do We Sing Choruses As Well As Hymns?

“And do not be drunk with wine, in which dissipation; but be filled by the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and SPIRITUAL SONGS, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.” Ephesians 5:18-19

Why Do We Sing in Tongues and in English?

“For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful, what is the result then? I will pray with the spirit and I will also pray with the understanding. I WILL SING WITH THE SPIRIT, and I will also sing with the understanding.” 1 Corinthians 14:14-15

Why Do We Have Speaking in Unknown Tongues and the Interpretation in the Church?

“Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not FORBID to speak with tongues.” 1 Corinthians 14:39

“But the MANIFESTATION OF THE SPIRIT is given to each one for the profit of all... To another DIFFERENT KINDS OF TONGUES. To another the INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES.” 1 Corinthians 2: 7 & 10

“I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies is greater than he who speaks with tongues, UNLESS INDEED HE INTERPRETS, that the church may receive edification.” 1 Corinthians 14:5

“If anyone speaks in a tongue, let there be two or at the most three, each in turn, and LET ONE INTERPRET.” 1 Corinthians 14:27

What is Prophecy and Why Do We Prophecy?

“But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.” 1 Corinthians 14:3

“Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.” 1 Corinthians 14:1

Why Do We Dance During the Praise & Worship?

“You have turned my mourning into DANCING... You have clothed me with gladness.” Psalm 30:11

“Let them praise His name with the DANCE...” Psalm 149:3a

“Then David DANCED before the Lord with all his might...” 2 Samuel 6:14

Why Are Musical Instruments a Part of the Service?

“Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; praise Him with the lute and harp! Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes! Praise Him with loud cymbals: praise Him with clashing cymbals.” Psalm 150:3-5

“And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists PLAYING THEIR HARPS.” Revelation 14:2

Why Does the Whole Church Pray at Once for Specific Needs?

“So when they heard that, THEY RAISE THEIR VOICE TO GOD WITH ONE ACCORD and said, ‘Lord, You are God, who made heaven and earth and the sea, and all that is in them.’” Acts 4:24

Why Do We Receive Tithes and Offerings?

“Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now this,’ says the Lord of hosts, ‘If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it.’” Malachi 3:10

“Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.” Luke 6:38

“Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God which He has given you.” Deuteronomy 16:17