



**Sunday June 25, 2017**  
**The Worship Series**  
**Part 3 & 4: Spontaneous & Prophetic Worship | A Life Of Worship**

***Last Sunday's Recap:***

We looked at another aspect of worship – Worship is the ***offering up of sacrifices to God.***

God gave elaborate and detailed instructions to Moses about the tabernacle and sacrifices.

- 1) We read in Hebrews chapters 9, 10 that the tabernacle and the sacrifices offered were symbolic of that *perfect sacrifice that takes away the sin of the world* – the Lord Jesus.
- 2) In the tabernacle, *only* the High priest could go *once a year* to the holy of holies, meet with God and experience His presence. But, because of the Lord's finished work on the cross, we now have *unlimited access* to the very presence of God.
- 3) We are *invited to draw near* and enter the holiest place *with boldness*. It is our responsibility to respond to this invitation.
- 4) So as priests we offer up *spiritual sacrifices* – 1 Peter 2:5 and one of the spiritual sacrifices that we offer is *Praise*

We looked at 1) what praise is, 2) some of the Hebrew words in the Psalms which really bring out the meaning of praise and worship, 3) what happens when we praise the Lord? and 4) some of the biblical expressions of praise.

Finally, we looked at what happens when we worship the Lord corporately as a body of believers and also some of the attitudes to avoid and hindrances to overcome when it comes to praise & worship. We cannot afford trade personal worship for corporate worship. We are exhorted in scripture to engage in both.

***Today's message:***

**PART – 3 | SPONTANEOUS & PROPHETIC WORSHIP**

We see in scripture that there is a definite connection between *worship, music* and the *prophetic*. And today, we will explore this and see how we as a church can move further into this aspect of ***spontaneous and prophetic worship.***

***Music & Worship***

We saw last Sunday that playing musical instruments is a very valid and scriptural expression of praise & worship.

Music, after all is God's creation. There is music, melody, rhythm in God's creations – heartbeat, flow of the stream, wind blowing through the trees...

***Zamar***, the Hebrew word used for *praise* in Ps 68:4 refers to playing music or to singing songs accompanied by musical instruments.



**PSALM 149:3**

<sup>3</sup> Let them praise His name with the dance; Let them sing praises to Him with the timbrel and harp.

**PSALM 150:3-5**

<sup>3</sup> Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; Praise Him with the lute and harp!

<sup>4</sup> Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes!

<sup>5</sup> Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with clashing cymbals!

**So music is integral to praise & worship but we should not be overly dependent on it nor let music become a distraction from our focus on the Lord.**

**Music & The Prophetic**

**1 SAMUEL 10:5**

<sup>5</sup> After that you shall come to the hill of God where the Philistine garrison is. And it will happen, when you have come there to the city, that you will meet a group of prophets coming down from the high place with a stringed instrument, a tambourine, a flute, and a harp before them; and they will be **prophesying**.

The prophet Samuel after anointing Saul as King, prophesies over him and says that he will meet a group of prophets and lists the music instruments they will be playing and prophesying.

**2 KINGS 3:14-16**

<sup>14</sup> And Elisha said, "As the LORD of hosts lives, before whom I stand, surely were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, I would not look at you, nor see you. <sup>15</sup> But now bring me a musician." Then it happened, when the musician played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him. <sup>16</sup> And he said, "**Thus says the LORD**: 'Make this valley full of ditches.'

King Jehoshaphat goes along with 2 other kings to meet Prophet Elisha for the Lord's counsel. Elisha asks for a musician to come. The musician plays. Elisha experiences God's touch/presence (*the hand of the Lord*). Elisha prophesies 'Thus says the Lord...'

We see here that somehow music seemed to stir up the prophetic gift and made the prophet sensitive in his spirit to receive/hear the Word of the Lord.

**Music, The Prophetic & Worship**

(Resource :: APC Publications :: pg.97 *Understanding the Prophetic* – Ps. Ashish Raichur)

We see all these 3 elements – music, the prophetic and worship coming together in the tabernacle that David built and the worship that he established to be offered to the Lord.

*The tabernacle of David – the background*

The Israelites continued in the years that followed Moses' time with the tabernacle worship that Moses instituted (as instructed by God) - with the priests preparing and offering the sacrifices in the prescribed manner.



In 1 Samuel we read about a time when Eli was the priest of the tabernacle but his 2 sons were sinning openly in the tabernacle, desecrating the sacrifices and the Lord was very displeased with what was happening.

During this time Israel went to war with the Philistines taking the *Ark of the Covenant* into battle (Eli's sons were also with the ark) from the tabernacle – in the hope of winning against the philistine army.

**1 Samuel 4:4, 11**

*4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from there the ark of the covenant of the Lord of hosts, who dwells between the cherubim. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of God. 10 So the Philistines fought, and Israel was defeated, and every man fled to his tent. There was a very great slaughter, and there fell of Israel thirty thousand foot soldiers. 11 Also the ark of God was captured; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, died.*

The *Ark of the Covenant* was taken by the philistines and kept in their temple. The next day, they found the idol fallen and broken and the philistines experienced the wrath of God and tried moving the ark from city to city for 7 months and finally decided to return it to the Israelites because they could not bear the wrath of God any more.

The ark was returned to Israel but they did not know how to handle the ark in the proper manner (1 Sam 6:19, 2 Sam 6:6) so, it was left in the house of a man named Abinadab in a place called Kirjath Jearim.

During this time the tabernacle worship continued in Israel but *Ichabod* – the Glory of the Lord had departed from the tabernacle. It was ritualistic worship without the presence.

After almost 70 years, when David was made king, he brought the *Ark of the Covenant* to Jerusalem, pitched a big tent and placed the ark in it and established worship which included singing and music.

**1 CHRONICLES 16:1, 4-6**

*1 So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tabernacle that David had erected for it. Then they offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before God.*

*<sup>4</sup> And he (David) appointed some of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, to commemorate, to thank, and to praise the LORD God of Israel: <sup>5</sup> Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, then Jeiel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Mattithiah, Eliab, Benaiah, and Obed-Edom: Jeiel with stringed instruments and harps, but Asaph made music with cymbals; <sup>6</sup> Benaiah and Jahaziel the priests regularly blew the trumpets before the ark of the covenant of God.*



### *Tabernacle of David – The Davidic Order of Worship*

David established an order of worship which continued even when the tabernacle was later replaced by the temple which Solomon built.

#### **1 Chronicles 25:1-8**

*1 Moreover David and the captains of the army separated for the service some of the sons of Asaph, of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should prophesy with harps, stringed instruments, and cymbals. And the number of the skilled men performing their service was: 2 Of the sons of Asaph: Zaccur, Joseph, Nethaniah, and Asharelah; the sons of Asaph were under the direction of Asaph, who prophesied according to the order of the king. 3 Of Jeduthun, the sons of Jeduthun: Gedaliah, Zeri, Jeshaiiah, Shimei, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the direction of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp to give thanks and to praise the Lord. 4 Of Heman, the sons of Heman: Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, Romamti-Ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, and Mahazioth. 5 All these were the sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to exalt his horn. For God gave Heman fourteen sons and three daughters. 6 All these were under the direction of their father for the music in the house of the Lord, with cymbals, stringed instruments, and harps, for the service of the house of God. Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman were under the authority of the king. 7 So the number of them, with their brethren who were instructed in the songs of the Lord, all who were skillful, was two hundred and eighty-eight. 8 And they cast lots for their duty, the small as well as the great, the teacher with the student.*

- 1) There were 288 prophetic singers, 4000 musicians who ministered in worship to the Lord. It was big, extravagant.
- 2) The singers and musicians took turns to minister to the Lord in continuous, 24 X 7, non-stop, day and night worship. There was a roster with lots being cast to decide the team and schedule.
- 3) The musicians were skilled in their musical abilities
- 4) There were leaders who were in charge of the music and the songs that were to be sung (eg. *Chenaniah* in 1 Chron 15:22, 27)
- 5) It was prophetic in nature with prophecy integrated into their worship and music.
- 6) There were prophetic worship leaders – Asaph, Heman, Jeduthun (1 Chron 25:1,2)
- 7) There were prophetic song writers or *psalmists*. Both David and Asaph were psalmists. They would write songs and these would be incorporated in their worship and prayer. (eg. 1 Chron 16:7, many psalms of David begin with the note 'to the chief musician') Different kinds of psalms were written during this time – poems set to music, psalms that are expressions of meditations and feelings of the heart, psalms that are precious



and personal, prayers and intercessions, psalms that instruct, teach and those that are meant for singing

#### *The tabernacle of David – Being rebuilt*

This Davidic order of worship continued for a period and it was reinstated at various by different kings and leaders in the OT.

The apostle James quotes the prophecy of Amos (Amos 9:11,12) in Acts 15:13-18.

#### **Acts 15:13-18**

*13 And after they had become silent, James answered, saying, “Men and brethren, listen to me: 14 Simon has declared how God at the first visited the Gentiles to take out of them a people for His name. 15 And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written:*

*16 ‘After this I will return And will rebuild the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; I will rebuild its ruins, And I will set it up; 17 So that the rest of mankind may seek the Lord, Even all the Gentiles who are called by My name, Says the Lord who does all these things.’18 “Known to God from eternity are all His works.*

The Lord is rebuilding the tabernacle of David in our day and time among His saints.

Prayer and worship movements are being birthed across the world in many nations, where people are committing to 24 x 7, continuous, day and night worship which is having an impact on people coming to the Lord as well (Acts 15:17)

#### ***The Prophetic Word and its characteristics***

Prophecy is simply God speaking to man through man. The Father desires to speak to us ‘in the now’ in our daily circumstances and situations. So, we speak the heart and mind of God when we prophesy.

The Holy Spirit communicates the heart and mind of God to our spirit in many different ways –

- 1) an *impression* in our heart (an inner witness),
- 2) a *flash of information* in our spirit,
- 3) *quickening* of scriptures,
- 4) a *knowing* on the inside,
- 5) *pictures*,
- 6) a *word, sentence, paragraph*,
- 7) *physical sensations*, etc.

#### *The prophetic word-*

- 1) Brings *edification* (spiritual progress), *exhortation* (encouragement) and *comfort* to us (1 Cor 14:3)
- 2) Reveals *God’s plans* and purposes (*Zacharias prophesies over his son in Luke 1:67,76-79*)
- 3) Stirs up and causes us to move in *faith* – in *warfare* (1 Tim 1:18)
- 4) Provides *motivation and strength* to carry out God’s purposes and plans
- 5) Releases *God’s power* – healing, deliverance, breakthroughs
- 6) Brings *correction and restoration* (*King David and Prophet Nathan 2 Sam 11:27-12:1*)



7) Causes *conviction, repentance and turning back to God*. (1 Cor 14:24,25, the Samaritan woman)

8) *Transforms nations*. (Eze 37:1-14)

When the prophetic word is released as a prophetic song in worship, it accomplishes all that the prophetic word accomplishes.

So, it's powerful when we as a church integrate prophetic songs in worship – when we hear and receive what the Holy Spirit is communicating and step out & sing it out in worship.

### **The prophetic song**

Prophecy is expressed in song some of these ways-

1) Songs to the Lord

A *spontaneous* song to the Lord – a love song, a song of praise, worship/adoration, prayer, thanksgiving – it can be *prophetic* in nature but it can also be *an overflow* of our hearts as inspired by the Holy Spirit

- A new song is often sung when God does a new thing in our lives.

**Ps 33:3** 'sing to Him a new song'

- There are songs that the Lord gives to us to sing back to Him

**Ps 40:3** 'He has put a new song in my mouth'

The song of Moses *Duet 31:19,22*, the song of the lamb *Rev 15:3,4*

#### **DEUTERONOMY 31:19,22**

<sup>19</sup> "Now therefore, write down this song for yourselves, and teach it to the children of Israel; put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for Me against the children of Israel.<sup>22</sup> Therefore Moses wrote this song the same day, and taught it to the children of Israel.

- Songs that the *Lord Jesus sings to the Father* (Heb 2:12)

#### **Hebrews 2:11-12**

<sup>11</sup> For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, <sup>12</sup> saying: "I will declare Your name to My brethren; In the midst of the assembly I will sing praise to You.

2) Prophetic songs of *exhortation to people* (Eph 5:18-20, Col 3:16)

Which includes Songs that the *Lord Himself sings* over us (Zeph 3:17)

3) Songs of *declaration over demons, circumstances or nations* (Ps 8:2, Ps 149:5-9)

The vengeance and judgement in Ps. 149 is obviously not something in the natural but in the realm of the spirit

So, the prophetic song could be something *new and spontaneous* and it could also be a song that is *already written but the apt song for the moment* that the Holy Spirit wants to be released / sung.



## ***Prophetic Worship - Some practical guidelines***

### *Preparation*

- Develop depth in *prayer* and in *the Word* of God.
- Prayer especially praying in tongues builds sensitivity to the Spirit of God.
- The Holy Spirit draws out and releases songs based on a rich deposit of the Word.
- If we are not strong in the Word, we may not be able to determine if something that we sense in our spirit is of God or not.
- This applies to both those who are ministering in worship and to us who engage in worship as a congregation.

### *Expectation*

We are exhorted to *desire* spiritual gifts. To desire is to have a strong feeling of wanting something. We need to have that strong sense of expectation for prophetic songs to flow both in our personal and corporate times of worship.

### *Sensitivity*

We come prepared, expectant and sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit. It's possible to be preoccupied with worries, distracted by what's happening around us and therefore lose sensitivity to the leading of the Spirit of God. The same happens if the worship team is more preoccupied with getting the song right rather than listening to the Holy Spirit and singing as an offering of worship.

- 1) When the worship team encourages us to sing out to the Lord in our own words and language – Let's join in and sing without worrying about how we sound!
- 2) *Sing out in tongues*. We will be singing the mysteries of God to our spirit. It is like opening the door to step into the prophetic.
- 3) Another way to start singing spontaneous songs is to *sing out your own words to the tune of a well-known chorus or hymn*. The Holy Spirit will lead further by giving specific words/truths to sing and declare.
- 4) When the team prophetically sings and repeats a line or a phrase for which the lyrics are not the screen yet – Let's join in singing!
- 5) The **media team** can support the church in prophetic singing by keenly listening to the lines sung by the worship team and projecting those lyrics on the screen.
- 6) When specific Words of knowledge, direction are sung - receive it, test it, apply it!

### ***Let's do it!***

- 1) Ask the WT to play a simple chord progression and encourage the church to sing out. You lead by singing something spontaneous (overflow of your heart or a verse in scripture)
- 2) See if the Lord is putting a new tune / words in your heart, go ahead and sing it out. Go with the flow and leading of the Spirit.



## PART – 4 | A LIFE OF WORSHIP

### **Introduction**

Our lives can be at times very well planned, highly regimented and tightly compartmentalized. Even with all our understanding of God and worship, it's possible that we think of worship as something that's sincere, authentic but reserved for a set time and a set place. This is only partly correct.

Spirit and truth worship of our God is more than just a *ritual* or an *event*. It is more than something that's confined to certain hours of certain days of the week. Worship is what we do 24 X 7.

### **Worship is a lifestyle!**

It is something that happens not just in the spiritually charged atmosphere of corporate worship, or intimate moments of personal worship but also in the normal routines of the everyday life of a believer.

Let's look at some scriptures which point to this fact.

### **1) A LIFE OF KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY**

#### **HEBREWS 13:15-16**

<sup>15</sup> *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. <sup>16</sup> But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.*

In this verse the Greek word for '**Good**' refers to the act of '**being kind and generous**'

*(Share some practical everyday examples to illustrate the following)*

It is a well pleasing sacrifice offered to God when we are,

- a) *kind to others in our words,*
  - *speaking the truth... but in love (Eph 4:15)*
  - *speaking edifying words that impart grace (Eph 4:29)*
- b) *kind to others in our actions,*
- c) *generous with our resources (treasure, time, talents)*
- d) *not selfish but rather share what we have with others.*

### **The cheerful giver**

#### **2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-15**

<sup>6</sup> *But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup> So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. <sup>9</sup> As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness*



endures forever.”<sup>10</sup> Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness,<sup>11</sup> while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.<sup>12</sup> For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God,<sup>13</sup> while, through the proof of this ministry, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession to the gospel of Christ, and for your liberal sharing with them and all men,<sup>14</sup> and by their prayer for you, who long for you because of the exceeding grace of God in you.<sup>15</sup> Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

*The cheerful giver,*

- Gives *bountifully* (Vs. 6)
- Gives as he purposes in his heart (Vs. 7)
- Does not give grudgingly or out of necessity (Vs. 7)
- Is loved by God (Vs. 7)
- Experiences the abundant grace of God to have more than enough for every good work (Vs. 8)
- Is enriched to be even more generous (Vs. 11)
- Causes God to be glorified (*does not draw attention to himself*) through his liberality (Vs. 13)

While we are exhorted to continually offer the sacrifice of praise to our God, the writer of Hebrews says ‘Do not forget’ to do good and share. So, in the same manner we offer our continual praise to God, we are to remember to continually do good and share.

If we do one and leave the other part undone, it’s only half the job done! We do have a tendency to emphasise one part (which is somewhat convenient) and exclude the other (which is inconvenient)!

#### **JAMES 1:27**

<sup>27</sup> Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.

#### **ISAIAH 1:17**

<sup>17</sup> Learn to do good; Seek justice, Rebuke the oppressor; Defend the fatherless, Plead for the widow.

*To seek justice, to defend the fatherless and to take up the cause of the widow, to be a voice for the ones who don’t is something that’s close to the heart of God*

Some of us are people-oriented in our personality and visiting & helping comes naturally. But for others it is a challenge.



Let's remember that when we step out of our comfort zone and do this, it is a well pleasing *sacrifice* to God.

**Sacrifice** involves

- 1) giving up something that we have a right to **or** taking on something that we don't necessarily have to.
- 2) *death* - death to *comfort, self-pity, fleshly desires, pride.*

## **2) A LIFE OF HOLINESS AND CONSECRATION**

### **ROMANS 12:1-2**

<sup>1</sup>*I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. <sup>2</sup>And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*

Our body is to be presented to God as something Holy (*sacred, pure, blameless and separate from sin*)

Our body is the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor 6:19,20)

Vs. 19 – '*your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit*'

Vs. 20 – '*glorify God in your body*'

We are faced with moral choices daily – either to say yes to God & *no* to sin or vice-versa. When we don't give in to the fleshly sinful desires of the body but instead '*sacrifice...put to death*' those desires and present ourselves in holiness to God, it is an acceptable sacrifice of worship. It is an act of worship unto God.

When we make righteous choices in not sinning with our body, in the face of overwhelming temptations, we worship the Lord by offering our bodies as a living sacrifice.

### **ROMANS 6:13-14**

<sup>13</sup>*And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. <sup>14</sup>For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.*

*Members* – all aspects seeing, handling, thinking, hearing, speaking, moving

*Instruments* –also means *weapons*. Our right choices are weapons against unrighteousness.

Don't unnecessarily expose yourself continuously or yield to unrighteousness but rather intentionally expose yourself or yield to God and His righteousness. Do this from your new identity as a *New Creation in Christ* - '*as being alive from the dead*'



### **ROMANS 6:18-19**

<sup>18</sup> *And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.* <sup>19</sup> *I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness.*

A slave is obliged to obey the command of the master.

*As slaves of righteousness, we are no longer obliged to obey sin but rather righteousness*

### **Genesis 39:1-20**

Yes, this *living sacrifice worship* is possible.

Yes, this *living sacrifice worship* invites persecution and ridicule.

Yet, this kind of worship is an offering that's holy and acceptable to God.

### **Galatians 5:16**

*I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.*

### **3) A LIFE OF OBEDIENCE**

#### **John 14:15, 21**

<sup>15</sup> *If you love me, keep My commandments*

<sup>21</sup> *He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him*

In worship, we say, sing and express our love and adoration for our Lord.

It is only when we obey the Lord and His commandments, that we truly love the Lord.

It is only when we truly love the Lord in this manner, can we truly worship Him in spirit and in truth.

#### ***Obedience is the language of intimacy***

#### **1 SAMUEL 15:22**

<sup>22</sup> *So Samuel said: "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams.*

King Saul did not fully obey the Lord. He did not fully carry out the Lord's instruction.

***It delights the heart of God when we obey His voice...fully!***

#### **SUMMARY**

God is calling us to a life of *kindness* and *generosity*.

He is inviting us to a life of *holiness* and *consecration*.

He is calling us to a life of *obedience*.

He is calling us to give Him more than just a song.

He is inviting us to **A Life Of Worship.**



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### LISTEN to God's Word

*Read the following Scripture passage(s): 1 Chronicles 16:1, 4-6; 1 Chronicles 25:1-8; Acts 15:13-18*

### INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

*Discuss these together, giving time for people to share their insights:*

- 1) Share your testimony of experiencing the power of the prophetic Word?
- 2) What practical steps do you think you can take today to move higher into the realms of prophetic worship?

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two main learnings from the Scriptures read today and how they see themselves applying it into their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

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