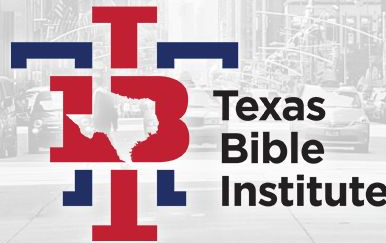


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Praise and Worship

The Heart of Worship: What's It All About?

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This course teaches the corporate and individual aspects of praise and worship. Students will learn both spiritual and practical elements of what is involved during praise and worship in a church environment.

What is Praise?

1. Praise is a unifying factor.
2. Praise is **power**.
3. **Praise is a discipline** that requires our initiative regardless of our emotions.
4. Praise is **not contingent upon our feelings**- it is based upon God's greatness.
5. Praise is something we direct **toward God** or something we **express to others** about God.

What is Praise?

- Another word for praise is **Judah**
- Praise must function according to our **will** and not our **emotions**.
- Praise can be used as a **weapon**.
- Praise can be given as a **sacrifice**.
 - 3 ways in which praise is costly.
 - Time
 - Energy
 - Preparation
- Praise is a **garment**.

Why Do We Praise?

- Because He Is:
 - Worthy of thanks
 - Worthy of praise
 - Great
 - Mighty in acts
- Because He:
 - Chose us
 - Commands us to praise
- Psalm 103:3-6

What is Worship?

- A set of religious forms by which this reverence is expressed
- Reverence for a deity or sacred object

What is Worship?

- Worship is a **conversation** between God and Man, a dialogue that should go on **constantly** in the life of a Christian.
- Worship is one's **heart expression** of love, adoration, and praise to God with an attitude and **acknowledgement of His supremacy and Lordship.**
- Worship is the ability to **magnify God** with our whole being- **body, soul, and spirit.**
- Worship starts in the **heart.**

What's the Difference?

Praise – gratitude for what He **has done**

Worship – acknowledging **Who He is**

Old Testament type and shadow of **outer court vs. inner court**

PRAISE and WORSHIP are two separate entities, but they are often impossible to **separate**.

Praise can sometimes be **distant**, but worship is usually **intimate**.

Praise is largely **horizontal** in its purpose, while worship is primarily a **vertical** interaction.

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