# A Life of True Worship

But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." (John 4:23-24)

## Who is a true worshipper?

### True worshippers are those who...

#### 1) Worship the Father in spirit and in truth!

- "This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name," (Matthew 6:9)
- For we are the true circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh," (Philippians 3:3)
- ➤ "So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, 'If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (John 8:31-32)

#### 2) Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His Name!

- ➤ "Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come before Him; Worship the LORD in holy array. (1 Chronicles 16:29)
- "Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in holy array."
  (Psalm 29:2)
- "Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created." (Revelation 4:11)
- ➤ Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name. For the LORD is good; His lovingkindness is everlasting And His faithfulness to all generations. (Psalm 100:4-5)
- ➤ Bless the LORD, O my soul, And all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget none of His benefits; (Psalm 103:1-2)

#### 3) Worship in holy attire and holy array with trembling!

- "Worship the LORD in holy array" (1 Chronicles 16:29). "Worship the LORD in holy array." (Psalm 29:2)
- > "Worship the LORD in holy attire; Tremble before Him, all the earth" (Psalm 96:9).
- "A highway will be there, a roadway, And it will be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean will not travel on it, But it will be for him who walks that way, And fools will not wander on it." (Isaiah 35:8)
- Exalt the LORD our God And worship at His holy hill, For holy is the LORD our God. (Psalm 99:9)

#### 4) Worship the Lord with new songs, dancing, and instruments!

- ➤ "Sing for joy in the LORD, O you righteous ones; Praise is becoming to the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; Sing praises to Him with a harp of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy. (Psalm 33:1-3)
- ➤ "Praise Him with trumpet sound; Praise Him with harp and lyre. Praise Him with timbrel and dancing; Praise Him with stringed instruments and pipe. Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD! (Psalm 150:3-6)
- And David was dancing before the LORD with all his might, and David was wearing a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel were bringing up the ark of the LORD with shouting and the sound of the trumpet. (2 Samuel 6:14-15)

#### 5) Patiently wait on the Lord in stillness and trust!

- Frust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun.

  Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;" (Psalm 37:3-7)
- ➤ "He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." (Psalm 46:10)
- "but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. (Isaiah 40:31)

#### 6) Love the Lord their God with all their hearts, minds, and souls!

- ➤ "Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." (Matthew 22:37-40)
- "Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them." (John 14:21)
- "When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" (John 21:15)

#### 7) Sacrifice their bodies as "living sacrifices holy and pleasing to God!"

- ➤ "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. (Romans 12:1)
- ➤ "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is —his good, pleasing and perfect will (Romans 12:2)
- Your people will volunteer freely in the day of Your power; In holy array, from the womb of the dawn, Your youth are to You as the dew. (Psalm 110:3)