# Expression of Worship Colossians 3:16 John 4:20-24 1 Chronicles 16:28

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

**Definition**: Life of Reverent devotion to God based on intimacy and comes from a constant <u>pursuit</u> of intimate relationship. Diligently walking in the privilege afforded to us thru the cross having been invited into the holy of holies "intimate relation and fellowship with God"

Understanding and experiencing salvation thru the lens of relationship is so important.

### **Praise vs. Worship** (what he's done vs. who he is)

- Praise is the joyful recounting of all God has done for us.
- Praise is universal and can be applied to other relationships.
- Worship is reserved for God alone (<u>Luke 4:8</u>).
- Losing yourself in the adoration of God.
- Praise can be a part of worship, but worship goes beyond praise.
- Worship gets to the heart of who we are. To truly worship God, we must let go of our self-worship.

# Worship Him in "Spirit" "Absent of self

We are empowered by the spirit of Christ to participate in worship It's the spirit of Christ that initiates worship. It's the presence of God that leads in worship

Worship Him in "Truth" the knowledge of the Word of God will naturally result in spiritual worship KNOW the truth
CONVINCED of the truth
Hold CONVICTIONS about the truth
LOVE the truth

# **Expression of worship**

Music is a powerful tool!!

1 Samuel 16:23 and 18:10

It is being convinced of and broken to the word and the affection in response to truth, not to any external stimuli, including music. Music can't produce worship, although it certainly can produce emotion. Music is not the origin of worship, but it <u>can be</u> the expression of it. Do not look to music to induce your worship; look to music as simply an expression of that which is induced by a <u>heart</u> that is rapt by the word and obedience to God.

#### Colossians 3:16

Speaks to the heart of the psalmist or the heart of the worship leader/song writer Pre-requisite is a heart being fashioned in the word! Ps. 33:1-3

God centered Luke 4:8

Heart Condition: 2 Chronicles 20:21

"Sprit of performance"

"Anointed" and Appointed

Songs should minister truth "exalt God, remind us of what he did (this is why the hymns are so important)

Luciferian Spirit: Ezekiel 28:13-14, Isaiah 14:11-14

Cherub - are angelic beings involved in the worship and praise of God

"Spirit of the chief musician"

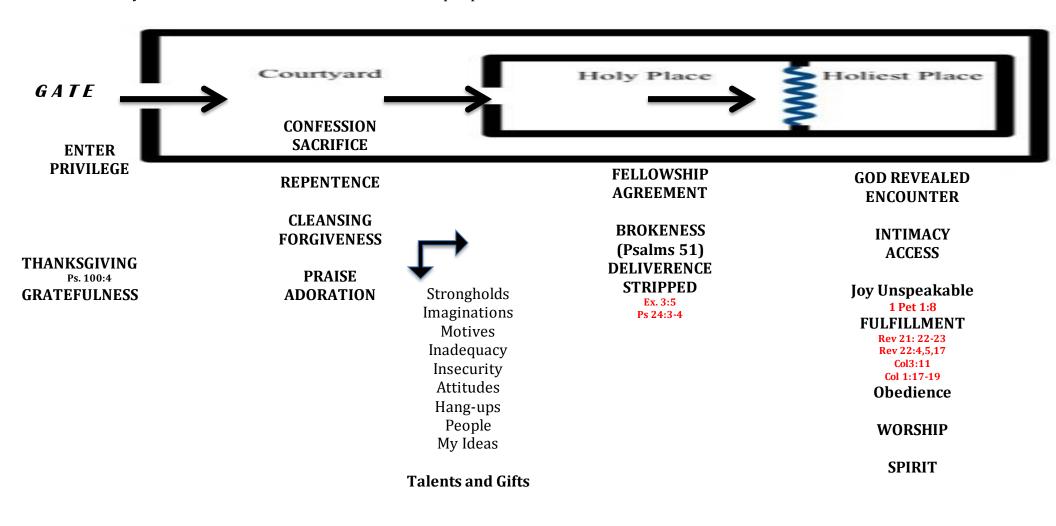
#### WORSHIP

## "IN THE "BEUATY OF HOLINESS" 1 Chronicles 16:28

## "IN "SPRIT AND IN TRUTH" Iohn 4:24

Life of Reverent devotion to God based on intimacy and comes from a constant <u>pursuit</u> of intimate relationship. Diligently walking in the privilege afforded to us thru the cross. True worship is not confined to what we do in church or open praise (although these things are both good, and we are told in the Bible to do them). True worship is the acknowledgment of God and all His power and glory <u>in everything we do.</u> Not about a time or a place. It's perpetual and continual. **Psalms 34:1** 

**Tabernacle** – center of worship in the old testament and it still is today. **Rev 21:3** Christ has invited us into the holy of holies. \*Many in church still have an old testament worship experience. House vs. Presence!



### Worship in Spirit

We are empowered by the spirit of Christ to participate in worship. Its God's action and not ours. It's the spirit of Christ that initiates worship. STOP TRYING TO MAKE IT HAPPEN!! (Triggers, buttons and atmosphere). It's the presence of God that leads in worship

- Our carnal nature is hostile towards the will of God (NO AGREEMENT) Romans 8:4-8
- Incapable of producing worship on our own Romans 7: 18-19

### Worship in Truth

To know the truth, to believe the truth, to hold convictions about the truth, and to love the truth will naturally result in true spiritual worship. It is conviction followed by affection, affection that is a response to truth, not to any external stimuli. Psalms 94:19 Starts with knowing him and him revealing himself through his word.

- The highest form of praise and worship is obedience to Him and His Word. 1 Sam 15:22
- True knowledge of who he is **John 1:1**