

# Inviting God's Presence into Corporate Worship

## *Tools of the Trade Notes*

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*Ephesians 5:18-20*

## What Is Worship?

- (John 4:23) "But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in \_\_\_\_\_ and in \_\_\_\_\_; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers."
- Humility, reverence, service, response ("We love, because He first loved us" (1 John 4:19), adoration, sacrifice, proclamation
- The h\_\_\_\_\_ of worship, where it all begins.
- Unquenchable worship cannot be stopped unless we allow it to.  
Ex. Paul and Silas, David, Job

Ex. Fire extinguishers work by removing heat, fuel, or oxygen.

-Be a worshiper who "always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."  
(I Corinthians 13:7) and who continues to blaze for God through all of life's storms.

## Thankfulness Prepares the Way

- (Ephesians 5:18-20) "Be filled with the Spirit. Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving \_\_\_\_\_ to God the Father for everything."
- (Romans 1:21) " Though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give \_\_\_\_\_ to Him, but became futile in their thinking, and their senseless minds were darkened"

- (Romans 12:1) Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.

## Thoughts on Spirit-filled Worship

- God inhabits the p\_\_\_\_\_ of His people – Psalm 22:3
- God is w\_\_\_\_\_ of worship whether we do anything else or not.
- *The Holy Spirit moves U-I-O-g-G*
- True worship cannot be separated from our l\_\_\_\_\_. Amos 5:21-24; Isaiah 58: 2-9
- Worship involves the w\_\_\_\_\_ p\_\_\_\_\_. Psalms 149-150
- True worship is for an audience of \_\_\_\_\_. Worship is about pleasing G\_\_\_\_, not o\_\_\_\_\_, not about our p \_\_\_\_\_ but His g\_\_\_\_\_.

- Spirit-filled worship is not about which music styles, instruments, choruses or hymns; it's all about the p\_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- Spirit-filled worship is accompanied by a sense of childlike w\_\_\_\_\_.

## Practical *"How-To's"* Related to Spirit-filled Worship

1. The p\_\_\_\_\_ is the most important worship leader in a church.
2. Focus: Inviting God's presence and the f\_\_\_\_\_ of worship
3. Talent vs. Faithfulness. It's not just about musical talent. Worship leaders and worship team members must have both c\_\_\_\_\_ and a\_\_\_\_\_. First and foremost, they must be true w\_\_\_\_\_ themselves. Their motives must be pure and righteous.
4. Prayer, testimonies, singing and music, preaching, serving, etc..

