

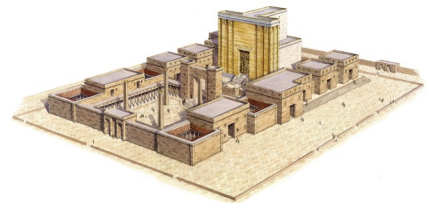
What is WORSHIP?

Part 5 So, Why Do We...?

At the end of our last study, we noticed how the apostle Peter points out that **we** are to be the sacrifices, the priests, and the temple today.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

(1 Pet 2:4-5)



We've reminded ourselves of the call in **Hebrews 12:28** in each lesson of this series:

Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe...

If **we** are the offerers, we need to understand what we're doing when we gather together as a church, right? So let's talk about it. How are disciples of Jesus offering up "a sacrifice of praise" (**Heb 13:15**) as members of "a holy priesthood" and "living stones" that are being built up as a spiritual house for God as we...

- ✿ Address one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with our hearts (**Eph 5:19; Col 3:16**)?
- ✿ Partake of the Lord's Supper (**1 Cor 11:23-26**)?
- ✿ Pray together (**1 Tim 2:1-4**)?
- ✿ Hear the word of God preached (**2 Tim 4:1-4**)?
- ✿ Contribute money for the work of the kingdom (**1 Cor 16:1-2**)?

But our worship isn't confined to a church building, right? As we've learned throughout this series, even our bodies are to be presented to God as "living" sacrifices, "holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship" (**Rom 12:1**). **So let's talk about it...**