



Attitude determines Altitude In Worship

Quote of “A Superior Attitude”

"The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts.

It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think, say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness, or skill. It will make or break a company ... a school ... a family... a church...a person. The remarkable thing is we have a choice everyday regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past ... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way ... we cannot change the inevitable.

The only thing we can do is plan on the one thing we have, and that is our superior attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. A superior attitude will produce superior results!"

Psalm 100

Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth.

²Worship the LORD with gladness;
Come before Him with joyful singing.

³ Know that the LORD Himself is God;
 It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;
We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.
⁴ Enter His gates with thanksgiving
And His courts with praise.
 Give thanks to Him, bless His name.
⁵ For the LORD is good;
 His lovingkindness is everlasting
 And His faithfulness to all generations.

1. Our attitude in worship is a response to true thoughts about God

A. Psalm 100 declares

- 1) The LORD is God
- 2) He made us and not we ourselves
- 3) We are His people and the sheep of His pasture
- 4) The LORD is good
- 5) His lovingkindness is everlasting
- 6) His faithfulness to all generations

2. Our attitude in worship is influenced by the Word and the Spirit

Colossians 3:16

¹⁶ Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms *and* hymns *and* spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Ephesians 5:18-20

¹⁸ ... but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; ²⁰ always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father;

3. Our attitude in worship is a choice

A. We are commanded to have an attitude in worship that expresses itself in obedient choices

1) shout joyfully

Psalm 27:6

Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice **with shouts of joy**; I will sing and make music to the **LORD**

Psalm 47:1

Clap your hands, all you nations; **shout** to God **with** cries of **joy**

Psalm 98:6

with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn— **shout for joy** before the **LORD**, the King

2) worship with gladness

2 Chronicles 29:30

King Hezekiah and his officials ordered the Levites to praise the **LORD with** the words of David and of Asaph the seer. So they sang praises **with gladness** and bowed down and **worshiped**.

3) come with joyful singing

Psalm 107:22

Let them also offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, And tell of His works with **joyful singing**.

4) know that He is God

Psalm 18:31

For who **is God**, but **the LORD**? And who **is** a rock, except our **God**,

Psalm 118:27

The LORD is God, and He has given us light; Bind **the** festival sacrifice with cords to **the** horns of **the** altar.

5) enter His gates with thanksgiving and courts with praise

Psalm 50:14

“Offer to God a sacrifice of **thanksgiving** And pay your vows to the Most High;

Psalm 50:23

“He who offers a sacrifice of **thanksgiving** honors Me; And to him who orders *his way aright* I shall show the salvation of God.

Psalm 150

Praise the **LORD!**

Praise God in His sanctuary;

Praise Him in His mighty expanse.

² Praise Him for His mighty deeds;

Praise Him according to His excellent greatness.

³ Praise Him with trumpet sound;

Praise Him with harp and lyre.

⁴ Praise Him with timbrel and dancing;

Praise Him with stringed instruments and pipe.

⁵ Praise Him with loud cymbals;

Praise Him with resounding cymbals.

⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the **LORD**.

Praise the **LORD!**

6) give thanks

Psalm 7:17

I will **give thanks** to the **LORD** according to His righteousness And will sing praise to the name of the **LORD** Most High.

Psalm 30:4

Sing praise to the **LORD**, you His godly ones, And **give thanks** to His holy name.

Psalm 35:18

I will **give** You **thanks** in the great congregation; I will praise You among a mighty throng.

Psalm 54:6

Willingly I will sacrifice to You; I will **give thanks** to Your name, O **LORD**, for it is good.

Psalm 86:12

I will **give thanks** to You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And will glorify Your name forever.

7) bless His name

Psalm 34:1

I will **bless the LORD** at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth

Psalm 96:2

Sing to **the LORD**, **bless** His name; Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day.

Psalm 103:2

Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget none of His benefits;

Psalm 104:1

Bless the LORD, O my soul! O **LORD** my God, You are very great; You are clothed with splendor and majesty,

Psalm 115:18

But as for us, we will **bless the LORD** From this time forth and forever.
Praise the LORD!

Application

- 1) Choose a positive, God-centered, faith-filled attitude in worship
- 2) Choose to praise and give thanks
- 3) Ask God to fill you with the Holy Spirit
- 4) Let God's Word renew your mind
- 5) Think about what is true about God
- 6) Express your worship bodily and boldly
- 7) Faith your way to feeling