

#### Praise

- We can praise our God through grateful declaration in public or private. This declaration can also be made through prayer.
- 20 always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (**Ephesians 5:20**)
- 13 The trumpeters and musicians joined in unison to give praise and thanks to the Lord. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, the singers raised their voices in praise to the Lord and sang: "He is good; his love endures forever." Then the temple of the Lord was filled with the cloud, (2 Chronicles 5:13)

## Joyful songs

- We can worship God through songs, us joyfully shouting about LORD is an act of worship.
- <sup>1</sup> Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
  - Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. (Psalm 100:1-2)
- 13 Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. (James 5:13)
- <sup>16</sup> Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. (Colossians 3:16)

#### Dancing

- King David not only offered sacrifices to God when the Ark of the Covenant was brought to Jerusalem, but he also danced as a form of worship!
- 13 When those who were carrying the ark of the LORD had taken six steps, he sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf. 14 Wearing a linen ephod, David was dancing before the LORD with all his might, (2 Samuel 6:13-14)
- <sup>20</sup> Then Miriam the prophet, Aaron's sister, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women followed her, with timbrels and dancing. <sup>21</sup> Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the Lord,
for he is highly exalted.
Both horse and driver
he has hurled into the sea." (Exodus 15:20-21)

#### Helping others

- God especially loves those who help others not grudgingly or of necessity but out of a willing heart of service and love.
- <sup>7</sup> Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)
- 8 And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. <sup>2</sup> In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. (2 Corinthians 8:1-2)
- 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. (Acts 2:44-45)

# Using our spiritual gifts

- We can worship God by adequately using the natural and supernatural-given gifts He gave
  us to serve as many people as possible.
- <sup>4</sup> There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. <sup>5</sup> There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. <sup>6</sup> There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. <sup>7</sup> Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. **(1 Corinthians 12:4-7)**
- Ephesians 4:7, 11 13, 15 16

### Being a living sacrifice

- We can worship God by being a living sacrifice. This type of sacrifice manifests when we
  dedicate our entire lives to serving our Creator and blessing others!
- 12 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)
- <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth." (John 4:24)

#### Different types of worship

- There are many types of worship so don't think there is one set way you have to praise Him.
- God doesn't want us to be robots, and all do the same thing, we created us all individually
  and we should therefore praise Him in any type of way.
- If we are confused on how to worship God, we can always ask the Holy Spirit and He will guide on what to do.
- To understand God better we need to build a relationship and that can only happen by reading the Bible.