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Core Values of Worship at The Road

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“I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—and I will meditate on your wonderful works. They tell of the power of your awesome works—and I will proclaim your great deeds. They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness” (Psalm 145:1-7 NIV).

1. Our desire is to not base our worship on our personal preferences.

“But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart’” (1 Samuel 16:7).

2. Our desire is to give the song back to the congregation.

“The song of the congregation has been stolen by the song of the stage.” Bob Sorge

“I will give you thanks in the great assembly; among the throngs I will praise you” (Psalm 35:18).

3. Our desire is to build a culture of costly worship.

“Araunah said, ‘Why has my lord the king come to his servant?’

‘To buy your threshing floor,’ David answered, ‘so I can build an altar to the Lord, that the plague on the people may be stopped.’

Araunah said to David, ‘Let my lord the king take whatever he wishes and offer it up. Here are oxen for the burnt offering, and here are threshing sledges and ox yokes for the wood.

Your Majesty, Araunah gives all this to the king.’ Araunah also said to him, ‘May the Lord your God accept you.’

But the king replied to Araunah, ‘No, I insist on paying you for it. I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.’

So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen and paid fifty shekels of silver for them.

David built an altar to the Lord there and sacrificed burnt offerings and fellowship offerings.

Then the Lord answered his prayer in behalf of the land, and the plague on Israel was stopped” (2 Samuel 24: 21-25).

The woman who anointed Jesus' feet offered costly worship.
Matthew 26:6–13; Mark 14:3–9; Luke 7:36–50; John 12:1–8.

4. Our desire is to build a worship culture of bodily expression.

“Let everything that hath breath praise (Halal) the Lord. Praise the Lord” (Psalm 150:6 KJV).

Singing and Shouting to the Lord (Vocal Worship)

“Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations” (Psalm 100:1-5 NIV).

Paul and Silas sing in prison and are set free. (Acts 16:24-26)

“Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day” (Psalm 96:1-2 NIV).

Lifting of Hands

“Lift up your hands in the sanctuary and praise the LORD” (Psalm 134:2 NIV).

“Let us lift up our hearts and hands to God in heaven” (Lamentations 3:41 ESV).

“Therefore I want the men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing” (1 Timothy 2:8 NIV).

Communion

“For whenever you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes” (1 Corinthians 11:26 NIV).

“Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, ‘Take, eat; this is my body.’ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, ‘Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins’” (Matthew 26:26-28 NIV).