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### **Why Worship: A Holy Template**

**Hebrews 4:16** - *So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.*

**Psalm 150** - *Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heaven! <sup>2</sup> Praise him for his mighty works; praise his unequalled greatness! <sup>3</sup> Praise him with a blast of the ram's horn; praise him with the lyre and harp! <sup>4</sup> Praise him with the tambourine and dancing; praise him with strings and flutes! <sup>5</sup> Praise him with a clash of cymbals; praise him with loud clanging cymbals. <sup>6</sup> Let everything that breathes sing praises to the Lord! Praise the Lord!*

#### **When We Accept God's Story As Ours, And Jesus As Lord, Our Only Response Is Unhindered Praise**

**Exodus 15:11** - *Who is like you among the gods, O Lord—glorious in holiness, awesome in splendor, performing great wonders?*

**1 Chronicles 25:1-2, 6-8** - *David and the army commanders then appointed men from the families of Asaph, Heman, and Jeduthun to proclaim God's messages to the accompaniment of lyres, harps, and cymbals. Here is a list of their names and their work: <sup>2</sup> From the sons of Asaph, there were Zaccur, Joseph, Nethaniah, and Asarelah. They worked under the direction of their father, Asaph, who proclaimed God's messages by the king's orders....<sup>6</sup> ...Their responsibilities included the playing of cymbals, harps, and lyres at the house of God. Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman reported directly to the king. <sup>7</sup> They and their families were all trained in making music before the Lord, and each of them—288 in all—was an accomplished musician. <sup>8</sup> The musicians were appointed to their term of service by means of sacred lots, without regard to whether they were young or old, teacher or student.*

#### **A HOLY TEMPLATE**

**Isaiah 6:1-8** - *It was in the year King Uzziah died that I saw the Lord. He was sitting on a lofty throne, and the train of his robe filled the Temple. <sup>2</sup> Attending him were mighty seraphim, each having six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup> They were calling out to each other, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Heaven's Armies! The whole earth is filled with his glory!" <sup>4</sup> Their voices shook the Temple to its foundations, and the entire building was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> Then I said,*

*“It’s all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the Lord of Heaven’s Armies.”<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs.<sup>7</sup> He touched my lips with it and said, “See, this coal has touched your lips. Now your guilt is removed, and your sins are forgiven.”<sup>8</sup> Then I heard the Lord asking, “Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?” I said, “Here I am. Send me.”*

**1. The Worship Experience Is Unlocked By God.**

**Sometimes, We Don’t Realize The Presence Because We’re Not Looking For It**

**2. We See God And Ourselves.**

**No One’s Worthy To Stand In The Presence Of God Alone**

**3. God Purifies Us.**

**The Outcome Of God’s Forgiveness Is Transformation**

**4. We Find Purpose.**

**The Evidence Of Worship Is Revealed In An Eagerness To Be Sent**