

PRAISE IN PRACTICE

Key Scripture: Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. (Rev. 4:11 KJV)

I. HEBREW PRAISE

A. Types of Praise

1. Hallal; to praise, to boast, to rave, celebrate
 - a. Psa.113:1-3, 150:1, 149:3
2. Yadah; to lift/throw/wave the hands
 - a. Psa.63:1, 107:15
3. Towdah; lifting hand in adoration/acceptance
 - a. Psa.50:14, Jer.33:11
4. Shabach; to shout, to command, to triumph
 - a. Psa.47:1, 117:1
5. Barak; to kneel down as an act of adoration
 - a. Psa. 95:6, 34:1
6. Zamar; to pluck an instrument, to sing
 - a. Psa. 21:13, I Chr.16:9
7. Tehillah; song or hymn of praise
 - a. Psa.22:3, Deu. 10:21, 2Chr.20:22

QUESTION: When a person says, "Let's give Him some praise"
...what kind of praise are they requesting?

II. WHAT WE MISS...

A. All Praise is NOT the SAME!

1. Each word has a specific meaning and a specific ACTION
2. Results are different FROM each action

B. Praise is BOTH corporate and individual

1. When we gather WE must be WITH ONE ACCORD

NOTE: With one accord does not mean all doing the EXACT same thing. Everybody can't move LIKE the Freedom Movement. Everybody doesn't sing LIKE the Worship Team... HOWEVER...EVERYBODY can "make a joyful noise"!

2. When we are ALONE we MUST not be afraid to PRAISE

NOTE: Praising God alone can be the most intimate experience of your life...

C. We must be SENSITIVE

1. Let God dictate how you should praise
 - a. "Ima" runner/jumper/cryer/singer/etc.
2. Allow your Spirit to praise not your Flesh!

NOTE: If God is commanding that we BOW and we are SHOUTING...we've missed His desire and thus will not receive His intended result! The contrary is also true...If God is commanding us to be BOASTFUL and TRIUMPHANT and we are sitting we have again missed His desire and thus will not receive His intended result!