

Understanding praise & worship

1. What are praise & worship?
2. Why is praise so important?
3. Sunday morning meetings

PRAISE

Halal / Hallel

Praise / celebrate / glory / song / boast (160)

Hillah

Glory / praise / song of praise (57)

Yadah

Give thanks / laud / praise (120)

Todah

Thanksgiving / thanks (30)

Gadal (116)

Make great / exalt / magnify

WORSHIP

Shachah (Hebrew) To worship / prostrate oneself / bow down (170)

Proskuneo (Greek) An act of homage or reverence / bow down (60)

Pros = towards, kuneo = to kiss

Latreia (Greek) To serve, render religious service or homage (5)

Summary of praise

*Celebrating / boasting or glorying in / exalting / magnifying / blessing
Declaring out loud who God is, how great He is, & what He has done*

Can include

- ▶ *Speaking / Shouting / Singing /*
- ▶ *Making music / Clapping / Dancing*

Thanksgiving - thanking God for

- ▶ *Who He is*
- ▶ *What He has done / is doing / will do*

Summary of worship

- *Reverence*
- *Bowing down*
- *Intimacy*
- *Proximity*
- *Standing / kneeling / lying in awe*
- *Silence*
- *Touches heart & emotions*
- *Our whole life / lifestyle*

2. Why is praise so important?

(3 reasons)

1. Praise is a command
2. Praise changes us
3. Praise is warfare

3. Sunday morning meetings

1. The order of praise and worship
2. The sacrifice of praise
3. Silence

A final point - integrity

These people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules
(Matt 15:8-9)