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"NEXT STEPS"
"HOW TO STEP INTO WORSHIP"
Ps. 100:1-7
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HOW TO STEP INTO WORSHIP
Psalms 100
1 Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.
2 Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.
3 Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.
5 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

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Ps 100:4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

Next Step: "How To Step Into Worship"

- 1) Worship Recognizes God As King (v1)
- 2) Worship Is Our Privilege (v2)
- 3) Worship Is Knowing Who God Is (v3)
- 4) Worship Is Knowing Who We Are (v3)
- 5) Worship Allows Us Into God's Presence (v4)
- 6) Worship Praises God For What He Is (v5)

OUR THESIS THIS MORNING:
OUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND MATURITY IS A RESULT OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST

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The Framework of Psalm 100

- 1. The Five verses outline (5) reasons for Praise**
 - a. Vs. 1-Exhortation—"Make a joyful noise"—command
 - b. Vs. 2-Exhultation—"Serve the Lord with gladness"
 - c. Vs. 3-Explanation—"Know ye that the Lord he is God"
 - d. Vs. 4-Expression—"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving"
 - e. Vs. 5-Extension—"Mercy-everlasting, truth-endureth"
- 2. The Dominating Theme of the Psalm**
 - a. Six times—Praise of Gladness is sounded
 - b. Ends and begins with "All"—"All the earth" & "All generations"
- 3. Each Verse Defines His Grace!**
 - a. Grace to Praise God—vs. 1
 - b. Grace to Serve God—vs. 2
 - c. Grace to Know God—vs. 3
 - d. Grace to Thank God—vs. 4
 - e. Grace to See God—vs. 5

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Key Reasons to WORSHIP God:

- 1. Worship Recognizes God As King—Vs. 1**
 Verse #1: "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands."
☐ The 1st Admonishment.
 - a. **The word make** = to cause to happen, it is a command to bring into existence, to appear.
 - b. **The word joyful** = an expression or a feeling of exuberance. 7 times in the book of Psalms we are commanded to make a joyful noise unto God (for the King)
 - c. **All ye lands** = Symbolic of People of every nations and tongue.

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2. Worship Is Our Privilege—Vs. 2

Verse #2: “*Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.*”

2nd & 3rd Admonishments.

- Serve** 2nd = to wait upon, to be of use
- Gladness** = having a cheerful or happy disposition and nature, pleased, satisfied.
- Come / Presence** 3rd = an invitation to move in the vicinity of with a specified purpose.
- Signing** = to relate or celebrate something in song, with praise

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3.. Worship Is Knowing Who God Is Vs.3 –

3 **Know ye that the LORD he is God:** *it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

4th Admonishment.

☐ **Know** =

- ✓ to perceive directly
- ✓ to have understanding,
- ✓ to be aware of the truth.

NOTE:

☐ Know “**ye (not)**”

- ✓ This is a question of our understanding.

3 **Know ye that the LORD he is God:** *it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

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4. Worship Is Knowing Who We Are

3 **Know ye that the LORD he is God:** *it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; **we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.***

☐ If you have truly trusted Jesus as your Savior, you have been born again into the Family of God.

John 1:12

12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

John 10:27

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. 30 I and the Father are one.”

☐ The Lord Jesus is taking personal responsibility for you as one of His sheep, if you know Jesus as your Savior.

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5. Worship Allows Us Into His Presence.

4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

5 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

□ (v4) The Hebrew here for "enter into" means:

- ✓ Continuous action (His presence has no end)
- ✓ As movement occurs (His presence requires order)
- ✓ At the same time (There is collective in worship)

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6. Worship Praises God For What He Is

5 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

"He is good." This is his very nature.

- ✓ His Mercy never stops

1. "His mercy is everlasting."

- ✓ It continues through all the changes and chances in life
- ✓ His mercy never gives out
- ✓ His mercy never get worn out
- ✓ His mercy is never based upon what we deserve
- ✓ His mercy is everlasting!!

2. His truth is like his mercy

- ✓ it is pledged to fulfil his promises. "God is not man that he should lie;"
- ✓ "Be therefore thankful to him, and speak good of his name."

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