

LifeApps: "Praise is Everything"
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JESUS said: *Therefore everyone who **hears these words** of mine and **puts them into practice** is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.*

Matt 7:25

JAMES said: ²² *Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.*

James 1:22

APPLICATION OF "PRAISE"

¹ *Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. ² Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. ³ Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, ⁴ praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe, ⁵ praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. ⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.*

Psalm 150

Praise. Heb *halal* (the root of *hallelujah*), "to praise, honor, or commend." Two other Heb words used in OT: *yadah*, meaning "praise, give thanks, or confess." And *zamar*, "sing praise."

All three terms contain the idea of giving thanks and honor to one who is worthy of praise. Praise is boisterous, joyful, and uninhibited

JESUS' EXPERIENCE OF "PRAISE"

¹¹ *On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, **who stood at a distance** ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us."*

Luke 17:12-13

⁴⁵ *"The leprous person who has the disease shall wear torn clothes and let the hair of his head hang loose, and he shall cover his upper lip and cry out, 'Unclean, unclean.'* ⁴⁶ *He shall remain unclean as long as he has the disease. He is unclean. He shall live alone. His dwelling shall be outside the camp.*

Lev 13: 45-46

¹⁴ *When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." **And as they went** they were cleansed.*

Luke 17:14

¹⁵ *Then **one** of them, when he saw that he was healed, **turned back, praising God** with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan.*

Luke 17:15-16

¹⁷ *Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?"*

¹⁸ *Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"*

Luke 17:17-18

¹⁹ *And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."*

Luke 17:19

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PRAISE and WORSHIP

Praise is the joyful recounting of all God has done for us thanking God for His mighty works on our behalf. Praise is intertwined with Thanksgiving.

Worship is intertwined with Surrender. Worship gets to the heart of who we are. We must be willing to humble ourselves before God, surrender every part of our lives to His control, and adore Him for who He is, not just what He has done. Praise is easy; worship is not.

*Oh come, let us **worship and bow down**; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

Psalm 95:6

Worship the LORD in the splendor of **holiness**; tremble before him, all the earth!

Psalm 96:9

*The whole assembly **worshiped**, and the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded. All this continued until the burnt offering was finished.*

2 Chronicles 29:28

⁵ *The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷ **If you worship me**, it will all be yours." ⁸ Jesus answered, "It is written: '**Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.**'"*

Luke 4:5-8