

God's Presence and Blessing in Worship

Leviticus 9:1-24

Main Point:

Knowing God's purpose in worship, always answer His call to worship.

1. God calls you to worship so that He can meet with you.
2. God meets with you in worship in order to bless you.
3. God blesses you in worship by revealing His glory to you.
4. This is all made possible by the priestly work of Jesus for you.
5. This is why His call to worship should always be answered by you.

Allen Ross "As the inaugural service, it was also the pattern of divine worship."

John Currid "This text teaches us that the presence of Yahweh is the goal of worship. All the priestly duties, including the many sacrifices, find their culmination in God's appearance among his people."

Psalm 100:1-2 1 Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! 2 Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. (NKJV)

Numbers 6:22-27 22 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: 23 "Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, 'This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them: 24 "The LORD bless you and keep you; 25 The LORD make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; 26 The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace.'" ' 27 "So they shall put My name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them." (NKJV)

2 Corinthians 3:18 18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. (NKJV)

Hebrews 1:3 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature ... (ESV)

Hebrews 7:27 27 He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. (ESV)

Kenneth Mathews "Sometimes the Christian community overlooks the importance of sacrifice when coming to the Lord in worship. We do not witness the slaughter of animals today in our worship services, but our worship is predicated on the blood sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ."

Psalm 63:2 2 So I have looked for You in the sanctuary, To see Your power and Your glory. (NKJV)