

When Worship Isn't Cutting It

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Truth #1: WORSHIP IN GOD'S HOUSE IS TO BE ANTICIPATED AND ENJOYED.

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD. Our feet are standing in your gates, O Jerusalem.'" Psalm 122:1-2 (New International Version)

Truth #2: BELIEVERS COME TO THE PLACE OF WORSHIP TO PRAISE GOD AND ALLOW HIS WORD AND HIS SPIRIT TO REALIGN THEIR HEARTS WITH HIS.

"Jerusalem is built like a city that is closely compacted together. That is where the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, to praise the name of the LORD according to the statute given to Israel. There the thrones for judgment stand, the thrones of the house of David." Psalm 122:3-5 (NIV)

The Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel . . ."
Amos 7:7-8 (English Standard Version)

Truth #3: THE HOUSE OF GOD MUST BE OF CENTRAL IMPORTANCE IN EVERY BELIEVER'S LIFE.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May those who love you be secure. May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels." For the sake of my brothers and friends, I will say, "Peace be within you." For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your prosperity. Psalm 122:6-9 (NIV)

Application Questions

1. Is weekly worship in God's house a priority with me? If not, why not?

2. If weekly worship isn't a priority, what will I do to make it a priority?

3. If weekly worship is a priority, what will I do to be more open to God's presence and responsive to His voice?