Let Them Ever Sing for Joy

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INTRODUCTION

- We should try instead to get people to see the need for worship. The joy of worship.
- If we could somehow cultivate in people the want to worship. The attitude, I wouldn't miss it.
- You guilt them into it. You know how long that lasts? Maybe a week. At best a month.

1 Worship Is a Conduit and a Catalyst

Psalm 5:7–12

- Worship is a conduit. It brings us, ushers us into the presence of God and relationship with him.
- The second word is catalyst. This is not an end in itself. It produces a result. It is a springboard.
- This is not just checking off a box every first day of the week on the Lord's day. This is a catalyst for something more in your life.
- The people of God are people who should ever sing for joy. Not out of duty and responsibility. Not because it's our tradition.

2 Guard Your Steps When You Go to God's House

Ecclesiastes 5:1–2

- Guard your steps when you go to the house of God to draw near to listen is better than to offer the sacrifice of fools.
- Do not be hasty to utter a word before God. For God is in heaven. You are on earth.
- You need to recognize the vast awesome difference between where he is and who he is, and who you are and where you are.
- God, whether it be in this building or in our personal lives, should always be approached with reverence and care.

3 Exalt the Exalted

Isaiah 6:1–4; Daniel 7:13

- We understand that we are here to exalt the exalted.
- We must keep in the forefront of our minds that this is foremost about this. Foremost. Exalt the exalted.
- God's presence overwhelms the scene. God is huge. God is large. God is lofty.
- How big is God? Far bigger than you can picture or paint in your mind.

4 Cleansing Comes From the Presence of God

Isaiah 6:5–7

- Woe is me. For I am ruined. Because I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips.
- Cleansing comes from the presence of God.
- Behold, this has touched your lips, and your iniquity is taken away, and your sin is forgiven.
- Are you telling me I don't have a right to be here today? Not without God, you don't.

5 Determined in Holiness: Here Am I, Send Me

Isaiah 6:8; Hebrews 12:14

- Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?
- God is totally other, is what it means. God is totally separate. He is untainted by any evil at all.
- He asked for us to pursue holiness, without which no one will see the Lord.
- I have been set apart for special and important and sacred purposes in the service of God.
- Here am I, send me. You need me to show up and worship? Here I am.

THE CHALLENGE

Are you gloriously engaged in the praise and service of the awesome God and King Jesus Christ?

MY NOTES