

## There is More More than Tradition

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2 Corinthians 3:16-18 (NLT) But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

### Worship

John 4:23 (NIV)<sup>23</sup>Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.

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Matthew 15:6-9 (NKJV)... You have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition. <sup>7</sup>Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying: <sup>8</sup>“These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. <sup>9</sup>And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”

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2 Samuel 6:6-12 (NIV)<sup>6</sup>When they came to the threshing floor of Nakon, Uzzah reached out and took hold of the ark of God, because the oxen stumbled. <sup>7</sup>The LORD’s anger burned against Uzzah because of his irreverent act; therefore God struck him down, and he died there beside the ark of God. <sup>8</sup>Then David was angry because the LORD’s wrath had broken out against Uzzah, and to this day that place is called Perez Uzzah. <sup>9</sup>David was afraid of the LORD that day and said, “How can the ark of the LORD ever come to me?” <sup>10</sup>He was not willing to take the ark of the LORD to be with him in the City of David. Instead, he took it to the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite. <sup>11</sup>The ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite for three months, and the LORD blessed him and his entire household. <sup>12</sup>Now King David was told, “The LORD has blessed the household of Obed-Edom and everything he has, because of the ark of God.” So David went to bring up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with rejoicing.

When I worship the way God wants, my fear turns to \_\_\_\_\_.

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2 Samuel 6:13 (NIV)<sup>13</sup>When those who were carrying the ark of the LORD had taken six steps, he sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf.

2 Samuel 6:20-22 (NLT)<sup>20</sup>When David returned home to bless his own family, Michal, the daughter of Saul, came out to meet him. She said in disgust, “How distinguished the king of Israel looked today, shamelessly exposing himself to the servant girls like any vulgar person might do!” <sup>21</sup>David retorted to Michal, “I was dancing before the LORD, who chose me above your father and all his family! He appointed me as the leader of Israel, the people of the LORD, so I celebrate before the LORD. <sup>22</sup>Yes, and I am willing to look even more foolish than this, even to be humiliated in my own eyes!

### More than Tradition

1. \_\_\_\_\_: To acknowledge in public.

Psalm 67:3 (NIV) <sup>3</sup>May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.

2. \_\_\_\_\_: To bless by kneeling or bowing.

Psalm 103:1 (NIV) Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

3. \_\_\_\_\_: Making music to God with strings.

Psalm 144:9 (NLT) <sup>9</sup>I will sing a new song to you, O God! I will sing your praises with a ten-stringed harp.

4. \_\_\_\_\_: To rave, boast, celebrate, to be clamorously foolish.

Psalm 35:18 (NLT) I will thank you in front of the great assembly. I will praise you before all the people.

5. \_\_\_\_\_: To address in a loud tone, to shout.

Psalm 63:3-4 (NIV) Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

6. \_\_\_\_\_: Exuberant singing.

Psalm 34:1 (NIV) I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

7. \_\_\_\_\_: To lift hands with thanksgiving. With expectation for things not yet received.

Psalm 50:23 (TLB) But true praise is a worthy sacrifice; this really honors me. Those who walk my paths will receive salvation from the Lord.

Hebrews 13:15 (NIV) Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.