

# HEART OF WORSHIP: WEEK 3

**HEART OF THE SERIES:** The heart of worship sermon series is designed to teach the model of worship we see in Psalm 100: 'enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.' I think a lot of times we use this verse as reference in how we approach the throne of God, but what happens when we get there? In this sermon series we will be talking through how we can create an environment that encounters Jesus in his courtroom. In week 3, we will be discussing how worship and praise creates an altar for the Holy Spirit to move and transform us! The Heart of Worship sermon series will invoke our students not only to know God, but to truly see God.

**KEY VERSE:** "Therefore, I urge you,<sup>f</sup> brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice,<sup>g</sup> holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. **2** Do not conform<sup>h</sup> to the pattern of this world,<sup>i</sup> but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.<sup>j</sup> Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is<sup>k</sup>—his good, pleasing<sup>l</sup> and perfect will."

**KEY POINT:** How do we live a lifestyle of worship? We are transformed and renewed in the presence of God in order to go out and fulfill his will! We are simply filled, and then pour out!

## 1. Be Filled

- a. When we are in the presence of God we are transformed!
- b. How do we experience transformation?
  - i. Give God everything!
    1. In order to live a life of worship, we must sacrifice our own desires and replace them with the desires of the Father's Heart.
    2. The desire of the Father is that all would know Him!
  - ii. Allow the Holy Spirit to transform you!
    1. When we worship, we allow the Holy Spirit to come in and transform our hearts and minds.
    2. When we allow Him to transform us, we are actively saying Holy Spirit I need you!
    3. Spiritual transformation is an everyday decision to be filled with the Holy Spirit and live in accordance to God's word.

## 2. Pour Out

- a. It is not enough just to have an awesome worship service if we do not do anything with it.
- b. If we only make worship a one time occurrence on Sundays, we are setting ourselves up for failure on Monday-Saturday.
- c. Worship is not just something we 'feel', worship is what we do!
  - i. We worship any time we perform an action with the intent or desire to draw attention to Jesus.
  - ii. Just like Mary poured oil onto the feet of Jesus...she was not singing a song, or lifting her hands; however, her INTENTION was to draw ATTENTION to the savior!
- d. In order to live a life of worship we must be filled with the Holy Spirit!

- i. The role of the Holy Spirit is not to make the Christian life 'better,' it is to make the Christian life possible!
- ii. We cannot truly live out the fullness of Christ without the help of the Holy Spirit! He is the one who guides, convicts, and leads us into all truth.
- iii. When we are filled with and fully reliant on the Holy Spirit, it is leaving less room for our own wants and needs and more room for God's leading in our life!
  1. Have you been filled with + empowered by the Holy Spirit?
  2. Acts 1:8 - you will receive POWER and be my witnesses!

**ALTARS:**

1. Salvation + Rededication
2. Have you truly been living an everyday lifestyle of worship?
3. Infilling/Baptism of the Holy Spirit!

\*\*\*WRITER'S NOTE: these are the altar calls that we will be focussing on at Summerville Campus! If the Lord is leading you in a different direction for altars based off this sermon, be obedient to His leading!