

MESSAGE NOTES

Holy Roar | Day of Worship

Review of the 7 words for "Praise" in the Psalms:

- 1. YADAH ... to extend hands as a sign of victory in God, dependency on God and surrender to God.
- 2. HALAL...to celebrate God, to give clamorously foolish praise to God, to party in God's presence.
- 3. ZAMAR...to sing and make music in praise to God.
- 4. TOWDAH...to praise and thank God for things not yet received...to give God a sacrifice of praise.
- 5. BARAK...to kneel, to bless God, to vulnerably acknowledge the greatness of God.
- 6. TEHILLAH...to offer a personal offering to enthrone God...to sing God a new, spontaneous song to God.
- 7. SHABACH...to shout, declaring God's glory in community from generation to generation.

Practices for Your Personal Worship Journey:

If you would like to try some new practices in your personal worship life, here are a few ways you might start:

1.) My truth and God's Truth: Grace Church's working definition of worship is: focusing my total being on God's Truth in the midst of my truth.

- **a.** Ask yourself this question: "What is my truth at this moment? What are the joys, sorrows and questions that I am carrying?" Write down what comes to you. Then offer your truth to God in prayer, such as "God, my truth is that I'm struggling with hopelessness right now..."
- **b.** Find scriptures that declare who God is in your situation. Look up "God of Hope Scripture" online and find a scripture such as Romans 15:13: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." This could become your prayer as you focus on God's Truth in the middle of your truth.

2.) Meditating on Scripture:

- a. Read John 13:1-17. What words or phrases jump out at you? Write one down if you'd like.
- **b.** Read the passage again. What might God be saying to you personally through the word or phrase that stuck out to you the first time?
- **c. Read the passage one more time.** How might you respond to what God is saying to you? How might His word to you affect your life?

3.) Thin Place:

- a. What is a place where you especially feel the presence of God? (nature, a person or people, your favorite chair in your living room.) Go there.
- **b.** Allow yourself to just *be* with God in this place. What do you see about God here? How is He revealing Himself to you? (as the one who loves you, as the creator.)
- c. Respond to how God is revealing Himself to you in whatever way you like...it might be thanking Him, praising Him, just smiling at Him.

To continue this study on worship, you can read the book Holy Roar by Chris Tomlin and Darren Whitehead.

GRACE NEWS If you want more information or to volunteer with any of these opportunites, please make a note on the Let's Connect card.

What's up with the 9:41? Why do the church bells chime at 9:41 every day? Why does church start at 9:41 on Sunday? Matthew 9:37-38 says 'Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." We are praying for laborers and we are praying that God would equip us to be harvesters! Set you phone alarm and join us in praying at 9:41 every day for our community, and the (941) area code.

Samaritan's Purse Information Meeting, TODAY, 11:00 – 12:00 in the Starting Point room. We are sending a team to the Panhandle to help with clean up from Hurricane Michael February 17th – 21st. Come find out more about how you can help.

The Bible Story, Plain and Simple, Thursdays 6:30 – 8:00 pm starting February 7th. Not many people have read the Bible cover to cover, so it's tough to see the whole story it's telling. Join us as we try a simpler approach using The Children's Illustrated Bible to learn about Genesis - Revelation. This 5 week session will cover 1/3 of the Bible, with 2 future sessions to complete the picture. Each person will need their own copy of The Children's Illustrated Bible, so please register by indicating on your Connect Card or calling the office.

Grace on the Bay Kayaking, Saturday, February 9th, 9:41 am. Come marvel at God's creation. We leave from Vamo Drive Park – bring your own kayak or call the office and we will bring one for you!

Short Term Mission Teams now forming – Mexico, and Cambodia, just to name a few. Global mission applications are available at the info desk and are due back to the office by March 7th.

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BOXES AS YOU EXIT

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How did you hear about Grace Church?					
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Name:					
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□ I would like to meet with the pastor.

MY DECISION TODAY

- I said **YES** for the first time,
 - and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to RENEW my relationship with Jesus.

We have resources to help you with your decision.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRA	Y FOR:				
	Public Prayer List	□ For Pastor	s Only		
	I WOULD LIKE INFO	DRMATION AI	BOUT:		
SMALL GROUPS					
	I want to join a small group.				

SMART GIVING

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Partnership class, Sunday, Feb 24 at 11:00 Learn what it means to partner with Grace Church as we partner with God in transforming unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God. Indicate on your connect card or call the office to register.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Exploring the Old Testament – Sundays, 8:15 – 9:30 am in the Gathering Place.

UHS ONE WORD – Sundays, 8:30 – 9:30 am in the Conference Room.

Pastor Bible study – Tuesdays at 7:30 am, in the Gathering Place.

Fishing Club – 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30 – 8:00pm in the Gathering Place - Learn from a speaker and 'hook-up' with fellow fisherman. Dinner available for \$5.00.

Prayer hour – Wednesdays, noon – 1 pm in the Worship Center. Come join us in praying for our church, our neighborhoods, the 941, & the nations. Come if you are in need of prayer.

Sprout - 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month - Food distribution by All Faiths Food Bank from 10:00 – 11:30.

Community Clothing Connection - Open the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month from 10:00 – 11:30 am. Most items are only \$1.00.

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