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Worship

Worship is not just extra but is central to everything

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine..." Isaiah 43:1

I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." Isaiah 43:6-7

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He is our creator

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God rescued you, redeemed us

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So that we could declare His praise – to worship Him

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Worship over time builds good habits in us.

1. Be Ready - prepare for worship
2. Be Responsive - don't be a spectator
3. Be Regular - show up
4. Be Relational - invite and invest in others

If, therefore, the whole church comes together and all speak in tongues, and outsiders or unbelievers enter, will they not say that you are out of your minds? But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or outsider enters, he is convicted by all, he is called to account by all, the secrets of his heart are disclosed, and so, falling on his face, he will worship God and declare that God is really among you.

1 Corinthians 14:23-25

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 1 Peter 2:9

Jesus moved us from darkness into life, how will you worship Him?