

3 Reasons to Worship God in the Barrenness

Worship is not only an expression of the soul to our loving Creator, it is also a choice. For in times of ease, we find it delightful to lift hands of praise. But in times of hardship, we struggle to even find the strength to worship. As life sometimes takes on the form of barrenness, through empty womb or lonely heart, finding joy in the God of our salvation can be challenging. Rejoicing in the emptiness can feel counterintuitive, but it is the exact thing needed for the journey.

God is in the barrenness. We have to believe that, even when we don't feel it. For without Him, there is no hope. "And now, Lord, what do I wait for? My hope is in You." Psalm 39:7 Here and now, in the midst of the "lonely," the Lord is worthy to be praised. He is still on the throne and He is good. Above every situation, He remains steadfast and holy. Do we believe that?

Here are 3 reasons to worship God in the barrenness:

1.

God has a divine purpose for every season. There is a foundational and divine purpose for everything we are allowed to go through in this life. That isn't an easy truth to accept, but it is necessary for rising above the pain, enough to praise God through it. Remember, the enemy wants to steal our praise. And in the midst of intense trial, he will pounce on our vulnerabilities and lie to us concerning God's divine purpose. However, when we declare that God is Sovereign over every situation, we can then look upward instead of inward, and worship Him in the barrenness.

To everything, there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven. Ecclesiastes 3:1



2. Jesus is our First Love. I'm afraid it is part of human nature to love ourselves the most. Self-centeredness is a struggle for even the most serving of hearts. Especially when we face difficult seasons, our attention is quickly turned inward. Almost by default, we strive to make the "uncomfortable" go away. Therefore, it is crucial to remember our "First Love" in times of barrenness. By loving God with all of our heart, mind, soul, and strength, we will still be able to worship no matter what comes.

And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Mark 12:30 ESV

3. God will turn our mourning into dancing. Barrenness is but a season, a painful time of yearning and wandering. But God is faithful. He is with us in it and He sees us through it. No matter how long the road seems, how dark the night is, there is joy in the morning. The Lord turns every sorrow into rejoicing and our mourning into dancing. For I will turn their mourning to joy, will comfort them, and make them rejoice rather than sorrow. Jeremiah 31:13



Choosing to worship in times of barrenness is a beautiful and sacrificial act of love and obedience to a worthy Creator. By loving Him with our whole heart, and knowing His divine purpose exceeds our current circumstances, we will indeed dance with joy again.



REVELATIONAL INSIGHTS

THE OVERALL BLESSINGS OF DIVINE GRATITUDE

- The following spiritual blessings can happen to us as we lift up our praises to God, as well noted by Dr. Ryan Fraser: Our eyes are opened up (in the spiritual sense to see God more clearly); Our minds are woken up (from spiritual slumber and worldly desensitization). Our heads are lifted up (from discouragement and disappointment); Our hearts are filled up (with joy, peace, and satisfaction). Our sin is given up (through repentance and surrender to God); Our cares and anxieties are cast up (through trust in God's love). Our souls and broken spirits are healed up (from sin, pain, and sorrow)
- Our faith is built up (by the words of God); Our fellowship is linked up (through unity in the church).

TESTIMONY

The God of wonders beyond the galaxies has proved Himself again as the great deliverer. Our beloved brother testified on how God supernaturally spared his life from what would have resulted to a massive stroke. He went to work on a normal day and as soon as he was done with his job, he bent down to pick up a pen that fell from his pocket, the unthinkable happened. Our brother slumped and could not get up. He received medical attention and the Doctor pronounced an evil report. But our brother testified that he confessed what the word of God said concerning his healing and the month of October being our month of Divine Healing, God came through for him. The God we serve indeed is the Great Physician!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

> Last Fridays Night Prayer Vigil of Power and Hope: The Pass-through Night 12midnight -3am
Sunday, November 27th 2022
> Tribe of Judah Day

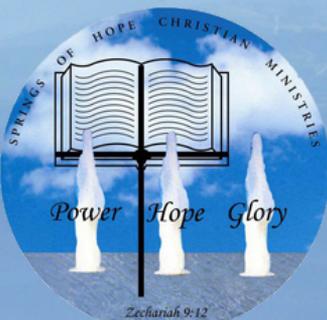
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House of Judah
Sunday Worship - 10AM
Wednesday Bible Study - 7PM
Friday Hour of Victory

MISSION STATEMENT

- To build a multiethnic Christian Church with a passion for Jesus Christ and compassion for the world.
- Church Core Values
 - Reaching out with the message of Power, Hope & Glory.
- Church Vision.
 - To proclaim Jesus Christ as the hope of the world through evangelism, worship, preaching, teaching, and humanitarian services to the people of all races and colors.
 - To train and ordain God's people for the manifold ministries of Jesus Christ worldwide.
 - To raise altars of prayer for God in every member household.
 - To establish schools, hospitals, medical centers, and orphanage at home and abroad.
 - To plant churches home and abroad for the purpose of making disciples of all nations.

2022 WATCHWORD

GOD'S YEAR FOR OUR DIVINE DOUBLE VICTORY

"YES, IN ALL THESE CHALLENGES WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS THROUGH JESUS CHRIST THAT LOVES US." (ROMANS 8: 37)

STATEMENT OF FAITH

That the Holy Bible is divinely inspired by God, and is infallible, trustworthy and dependable, and authoritative in all matters of faith and conduct.

That there is only one God, who is eternally existed in three distinctive persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

That Jesus Christ our Lord is God manifested in the human flesh to take away our sins and hopelessness by his voluntary suffering, death and physical resurrection.

That salvation of all humanity is only through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is our only Hope in the world of hopelessness.

That the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ to live a holy life, to witness about Christ to the lost and to be anointed to be victorious in every sphere of life.

That the church is made up of those who have genuinely accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

That healing of various kinds is integral part of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Water baptism and the Lords Supper are authentic ordinances of the church.

That there is Satan and its demonic co- workers, whose work is to thwart and frustrate the purpose of God on earth, but their final end is the hell fire.

That there shall be a bodily resurrection of the dead in Christ to heaven, and of the unrepentant sinners to hell fire.