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Biblical Worship – Paul Botha

Revelations 4:3-9

And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance , and there was a rainbow around the throne , in appearance like an emerald. Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, clothed in white robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads.

And from the throne proceeded lightings, thunderings and voices. Seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne , which are the seven Spirits of God. Before the throne there was a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, were four living creatures full of eyes in front and the back.

The first living creature was like a lion, the second living creature like a calf, the third living creature had a face like a man, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle. The Four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within.

And they do not rest night or day saying:

**Holy, Holy, holy,
Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come!**

Matthew 6:9

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven

Revelation 4:11

You are worthy, oh Lord, to receive Glory and honor and power; for You created all things and by Your will they exist and were created

Traditional Worship

Revelation 3:20

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.

Mark 7:6-7

This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.

Tabernacle with God

Tabernacle - a dwelling place

Psalm 91

He who dwells in the secret place of the most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

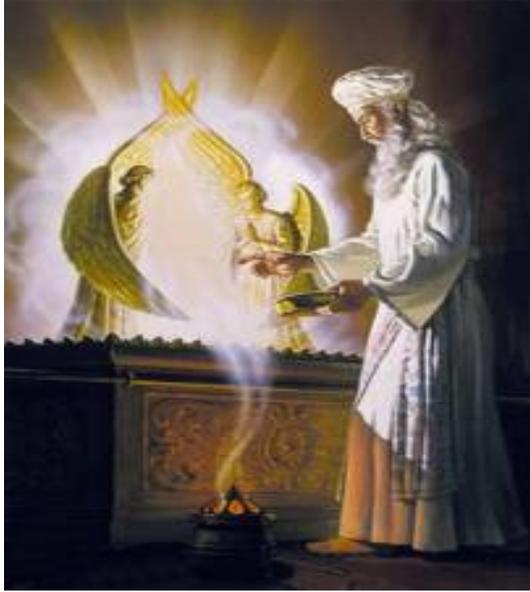
The Ark of Covenant

Exodus 25:8-9 8

And let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them. According to all that I show you, that is, the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furnishings, just so you shall make it.

Exodus 25:22

And there I will meet with you, and I will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which are on the ark of the Testimony. . .



2 Samuel 6:12-15

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with gladness.¹³ And so it was, when those bearing the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, that he sacrificed oxen and fatted sheep. ¹⁴Then David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was wearing a linen ephod.

Normal Biblical Worship

- Intense dancing “with all his might”
- Making a joyful noise “with shouting” and “instruments”

2 Samuel 6:20 – 23

Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, “How glorious was the king of Israel today, uncovering himself today in the eyes of the maids of his servants, as one of the base fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!”

So David said to Michal, “It was before the LORD, who chose me instead of your father and all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel. Therefore I will play music before the LORD. And I will be even more undignified than this, and will be humble in my own sight. But as for the maidservants of whom you have spoken, by them I will be held in honor.

Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death.

- Unprecedented boldness in worship - to enter the very Presence of God in worship.
- Through the death of Christ the “veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom” (Mark 15:38) – we can now freely and boldly enter the Presence behind the veil in worship