



11 "What makes you think I want all your sacrifices?" says the Lord. "I am sick of your burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fattened cattle. I get no pleasure from the blood of bulls and lambs and goats. 12 When you come to worship me, who asked you to parade through my courts with all your ceremony? 13 Stop bringing me your meaningless gifts; the incense of your offerings disgusts me! As for your celebrations of the new moon and the Sabbath and your special days for fasting — they are all sinful and false. I want no more of your pious meetings.

Isaiah 1:11-13 (NLT)



God doesn't take pleasure in our outward expression if our inward faith is missing. – NLT Life application Study bible

"If you're not worshiping God on Monday, the way you did the day before, perhaps you're not worshiping him at all." — A.W. Tozer

"I can safely say, on the authority of all that is revealed in the Word of God, that any man or woman on this earth who is bored and turned off by worship is not ready for heaven."—A.W. Tozer



"God directs his people not simply to worship but to sing his praises 'before the nations.' We are called not simply to communicate the gospel to nonbelievers; we must also intentionally celebrate the gospel before them."—Timothy J. Keller

"Worship is an incredible privilege, not a religious duty." — Unknown

"The purpose of this Christian society called "the church" is first to glorify God by our worship. We do not go to church just to hear a sermon. We go to church to worship God."—Billy Graham

"Work becomes worship when you dedicate it to God and perform it with an awareness of his presence." —Rick Warren

"There are no unique postures and times and limitations that restrict our access to God. My relationship with God is intimate and personal. The Christian does not go to the temple to worship. The Christian takes the temple with him or her. Jesus lifts us beyond the building and pays the human body the highest compliment by making it His dwelling place, the place where He meets with us." —Ravi Zacharias

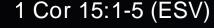


1 As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. 2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? – Psalm 42

11 I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. – Psalm 77:11



Now I would remind you, brothers,[a] of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, 2 and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. 3 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.





6 I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. – Matt 12:6 (ESV)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. – Romans 12:1-2 (ESV)



20 So tell me, why is it that you Jews insist that Jerusalem is the only place of worship, while we Samaritans claim it is here at Mount Gerizim,[a] where our ancestors worshiped?" 21 Jesus replied, "Believe me, dear woman, the time is coming when it will no longer matter whether you worship the Father on this mountain or in Jerusalem. 22 You Samaritans know very little about the one you worship, while we Jews know all about him, for salvation comes through the Jews. 23 But the time is coming—indeed it's here now when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. 24 For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth." – John 4:20-24(NLT)



