

**BELIEVING GOD FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE
IN A DARK WORLD**
A Worship Service That Is A Witness To Your Friends

Matthew 4:25 (LB) “Enormous crowds followed him wherever he went...”

Matthew 9:36 “When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.”

Mark 12:37 “The large crowd listened to him with delight.”

Jesus’ ministry attracted _____.

God wants His house _____!

Luke 14:23 He says, “Go out to the highways and byways of life and compel them to come in that My house may be full.”

No church grows without _____.

TWELVE CONVICTIONS ABOUT WORSHIP

1. Only believers can truly worship God.

Worship is expressing our love to God for _____

_____.

2. You don’t need a building to worship God!

Acts 17:24 "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands."

3. There is no correct “style” of worship.

John 4:24 “God is spirit and his worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth.”

- 4. Unbelievers CAN watch believers worship.**
- 5. Worship is a powerful witness to unbelievers, if God’s presence is felt and the message is understandable.**

Acts 2:6 “...a crowd came together.”

- 6. God expects us to be sensitive to the fears, hang-ups, and needs of unbelievers when they are present in our worship services.**

1 Corinthians 14:23 “So if the whole church comes together and everyone speaks in tongues and some who do not understand or some unbelievers come in, will they not say that you are out of your mind?”

1 Corinthians 10:32 “Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God.”

Colossians 4:5 (JB) “Be tactful with those who are not Christians and be sure you make the best use of your time with them.”

- 7. A worship service does not have to be shallow to be evangelistic.**

The message doesn’t have to be compromised - _____
_____!

- 8. The needs of believers and unbelievers often overlap. They are very different in some areas, but are very similar in many areas.**
- 9. It is best to specialize your services according to their purpose.**
- 10. A worship service is meant to supplement personal evangelism, not replace it.**

11. There is no standard way to design a worship service.

What really attracts large numbers is: _____

12. It takes unselfish, mature believers to offer a meaningful worship service.

Matthew 20:28 (LB) “Your attitude must be like my own, for I, the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve...”

HOW TO DESIGN A GREAT WORSHIP SERVICE

I. PLAN IT WITH THE PEOPLE YOU ARE TRYING TO REACH IN MIND.

II. MAKE IT AS EASY AS POSSIBLE TO ATTEND.

III. FOCUS ON MAKING VISITORS FEEL COMFORTABLE.

A visitor's first emotion: _____

IV. BRIGHTEN UP YOUR ENVIRONMENT

Look at our facilities from _____ !

Titus 2:10 “...so that in every way they will make the teaching about God our Savior attractive.”

V. MUSIC IS THE # 1 FACTOR IN POSITIONING A CHURCH

We underestimate music's _____

Psalm 40:3 “He put a new song in my mouth... Many people will see this and worship him. Then they will trust the Lord.”

Psalm 100:2 “Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.”