

# The Worshipers Hall of Fame

## Solomon – Worshiping in God’s Presence

### Points to Consider

1. Preparing for God’s presence
2. Requesting God’s presence
3. Praising in God’s presence

### Preparing for God’s presence

**2 Chron 7:1-11** - Worship is offered to God in His \_\_\_\_\_!

When the people realized the glory of the Lord was in the temple, they fell down and put their faces to the \_\_\_\_\_ and worshiped.

**2 Chron 5:11-12** - **All** the priests had \_\_\_\_\_ themselves.

The Levites were dressed appropriately and had their instruments \_\_\_\_\_ to praise the Lord.

**2 Chron 6:1-2; Ex 19:7-19**

God told Moses that He would appear in a thick \_\_\_\_\_ that is described in verse 18 as smoke.

On this occasion of worship God specifically instructed Moses to \_\_\_\_\_ the people and make sure they had on clean clothes.

**Practical Application:** How did you prepare yourself to worship God this morning? What time did you go to bed? What time did you get up? Did you pray before you came? Have you made sure you are free of sin? Are you happy to come here and worship with fellow saints? If not, why not?

### Requesting God’s Presence

**2 Chron 6:40** - Solomon \_\_\_\_\_ God’s presence by saying “Arise, O Lord God, to Your resting place.”

**Ex 33:14-17** - Moses \_\_\_\_\_ for God’s presence to be among God’s people. Moses realized the emptiness of life without God’s presence.

**Gen 3:8** *And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. NKJV*

**Gen 4:16** *Then Cain went out from the presence of the Lord and dwelt in the land of Nod on the east of Eden.*

**Lev 22:1-3** *Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 2 "Speak to Aaron and his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Israel, and that they do not profane My holy name by what they dedicate to Me: I am the Lord. 3 Say to them: 'Whoever of all your descendants throughout your generations, who goes*

*near the holy things which the children of Israel dedicate to the Lord, while he has uncleanness upon him, that person shall be cut off from My presence: I am the Lord. NKJV*

\_\_\_\_\_ cuts us off from God's presence.

**Ps 16:11** *You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. NKJV*

**Ps 21:6** *For You have made him most blessed forever; You have made him exceedingly glad with Your presence.*

David knew that there is joy and \_\_\_\_\_ in God's presence.

**Practical Application: Do you ask for God's abiding presence? We could start our worship with a prayer of cleansing, a request for God's presence, and a prayer of praise.**

## **Praising God in His Presence**

**2 Chron 5:13-14** - The worshipers were **united** in praising and thanking the Lord.

**2 Chron 6:14-19** -

Solomon praised God for keeping the covenant He made with David. (2 Chron 6:14-17)

Solomon praised God as the great \_\_\_\_\_. (2 Chron 6:18-40)

Solomon and the people praised God by saying and singing "For He is \_\_\_\_\_, For His mercy endures forever." (2 Chron 7:3,6)

Solomon blessed God. (1 Kings 8:15,55)

**Ps 22:3** *But You are holy, Enthroned in the praises of Israel. ... 11 Be not far from Me, For trouble is near; For there is none to help.... 19 But You, O Lord, do not be far from Me; O My Strength, hasten to help Me! 20 Deliver Me from the sword, My precious life from the power of the dog. 21 Save Me from the lion's mouth And from the horns of the wild oxen! .... 22 I will declare Your name to My brethren; In the midst of the assembly I will praise You. 23 You who fear the Lord, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, And fear Him, all you offspring of Israel! 24 For He has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; Nor has He hidden His face from Him; But when He cried to Him, He heard. 25 My praise shall be of You in the great assembly; I will pay My vows before those who fear Him. 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied; Those who seek Him will praise the Lord. Let your heart live forever! NKJV*

David's \_\_\_\_\_ praise of God in the great assembly was predicated on his recognition of God's \_\_\_\_\_ presence in his life.

**Practical Application: Let's put the white board in the foyer to use by writing down things we are thankful for. Let's use the small bulletin board by filling it with praise statements about God.**