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Queens Funeral Hyde Park



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Revelation 4:9-11

Worship in Heaven



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Planned for Gods Pleasure



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MISUNDERSTANDINGS of WORSHIP:

- Worship as singing?
- 'Christian' music?
- I like the worship/don't like the worship



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WORSHIP IS LINKED TO A LIFESTYLE OF SERVICE

Romans 12:1-2 “latreian”

“to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.”

serve (16x), worship (3x)



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“I wonder if there was ever a time when true spiritual worship was at a lower ebb. To great sections of the church, the art of worship has been lost entirely, and in its place has come that strange and foreign thing called the “program.” This word has been borrowed from the stage and applied with sad wisdom to the public service which now passes for worship among us.”

A W Tozer



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QUESTION:

Which of these touches God's heart?

A form of religion in worship or a lifestyle that is passionate and committed to God?



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The bible is clear in Gods answer to us:

Isaiah 29:13-16 God complains about worship that is half-hearted and hypocritical.

Hosea 6:6 “I don’t want your sacrifices--I want your love; I don’t want your offerings--I want you to know me.”



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How can we transform every activity into an act of worship?

- **1 Corinthians 10:31**
- **Romans 12:1-2 MSG Paraphrase**
*“Take your everyday, ordinary life.....
and place it before God as an offering”*



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Graham Kendrick

“Worship has been misunderstood as something that arises from a feeling which “comes upon you,” but it is vital that we understand that it is rooted in a conscious act of the will, to serve and obey the Lord Jesus Christ.”



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WORSHIP IS LINKED TO A LIFESTYLE OF SERVICE

WORSHIP IS BASED ON THE PRACTISE OF SURRENDER

“Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honour and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father”.

Phil 2:5-11



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HOW DO WE GET INVOLVED IN THE PRACTICE OF SURRENDER?

1. We encounter God in truth

John 4:24 “*must worship in spirit and in truth*”

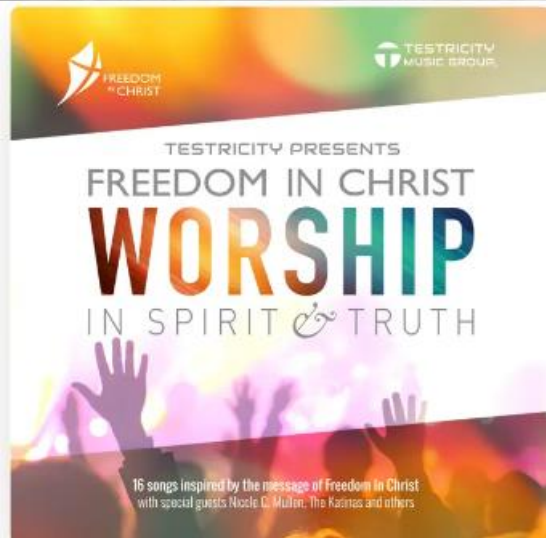
Who I am in Christ Bookmark and songs



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HOW DO WE GET INVOLVED IN THE PRACTICE OF SURRENDER?



Freedom in Christ - 99p per track -
<https://music.apple.com/gb/album/freedom-in-christ-worship-in-spirit-truth/1262061249>

VIDEO CLIP PREVIEW



1. We encounter God in truth John 4:24

2. We grow in trust of Gods character.

Psalm 13:5 “But I trust in your unfailing love”

The heart of worship is surrender and the issue for many below the surface is *can I trust God?*

You won't surrender until you trust Him and you will trust Him until you know Him better.



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Kerry- video clip animation

Luke 10:38-42 Mary and Martha



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**WHAT DID MARY AND
MARTHA TEACH US
ABOUT WORSHIP?**



Apart
Busy
Conforming
Resentment



At his feet
Listening
Abandonment
Fulfilment



**WORSHIP IS NOT A NOUN
NOT A VERB
A STATE OF BEING
=SURRENDERED**



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