Chalmette
Church of Christ

October 04, 2026

Improving the Quality of Worship (Part 2)

Every worship service, especially on the Lord's day, should be a victory celebration. It is a celebration of the victory Jesus claimed over sin, death and the grave, as well as the victory we can claim through His victory. If He had not come forth from the tomb in His glorified body, the first day of the week would have no more significance than any other day in the week. What a joy it is to meet with fellow saints as we engage in the worship of the Almighty. Faithful Christians can relate to the attitude of the Psalmist, "I was glad when they said to me, let us go into the house of the Lord." (Ps. 122:1) It truly is sad that some do not share in that gladness and joy, as worship is often mechanical, or they choose to do something else instead. How can we restore the joy of worship when it is lost?

We must realize the reasons why we worship. (1) Worship is obedience to a biblical command. (Ps. 29:2) (2) Worship is a means of nourishing our souls. (Matt, 4:4) (3) Worship promotes our spiritual growth. (II Pet. 3:18) Worship encourages and aids in the teaching of others. (Eph. 5:19) Worship is one means of demonstrating our priorities. (Matt. 6:33) Worship is one means of showing our love for God and praising His name. (Ps. 95:6,7) Worship expresses our desire for holiness. (Ps, 29:2) Worship is a means of singing praise and giving thanks to our God. (Ps. 30:12) Worship is an opportunity for communion with God and His Son. (I Cor. 10:16; Matt. 26:29)

We must realize the effort and discipline required in worship. (1) Stay alert. Our worship must be "in spirit." (John 4:24) Worship is with the mind, involving both thought and emotion, Sit up straight, listen, pay attention and participate. Do not allow yourself to doze off to sleep. The alert worshipper will not become bored. When you look around, watch or entertain a nearby child, yawn, check the time, read unrelated material, look at pictures, go to sleep, look back to see who just came in, etc. people around you notice it and are disturbed (2) Stay seated. Isle trotters disturb other worshippers, as well as their own worship. Do not leave before the service ends unless it is absolutely necessary. (3) Stay quiet. Do not rattle paper, car keys, change, etc. Clipping finger nails can be heard by dozens of people all around you. Sometimes we forget, but make it a habit to turn off the cell phone. The ring is embarrassing and disturbing to everyone. Do not talk, whisper or pass notes to your neighbor. Chewing and popping gum is distracting too.

We must realize the implications of our misconduct in worship. (1) It shows grave disrespect for God. (2) Worship is done in an unworthy manner. (I Cor. 11:27) (3) It shows lack of consideration for others. (4) It shows a lack of respect and appreciation for the preacher, or anyone else in a leadership position. (5) It shows a lack in sincerity in what one is doing (6) It can discourage visitors in returning. Nothing is more rewarding and fulfilling to our spiritual lives than our worship. Let's put more effort into it.

Richard Harp, Tara Church of Christ, Jonesboro, GA

You are cordially invited to attend a

GOSPEL MEETING

CHALMETTE CHURCH OF CHRIST

200 De La Ronde
Chalmette, LA 70043

OCTOBER 4 - 7, 2026

THEME:

LEARNING FROM PAUL'S JOURNEYS

with *Bill Boyd*

SUNDAY SERVICES:

- 9:00 am – Bible Study
- 10:00 am – Morning Worship
- 6:00 pm – Evening Worship

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY

SERVICES AT
7:00 PM NIGHTLY

We will have a pot luck lunch after Sunday morning service!

For more information, contact:
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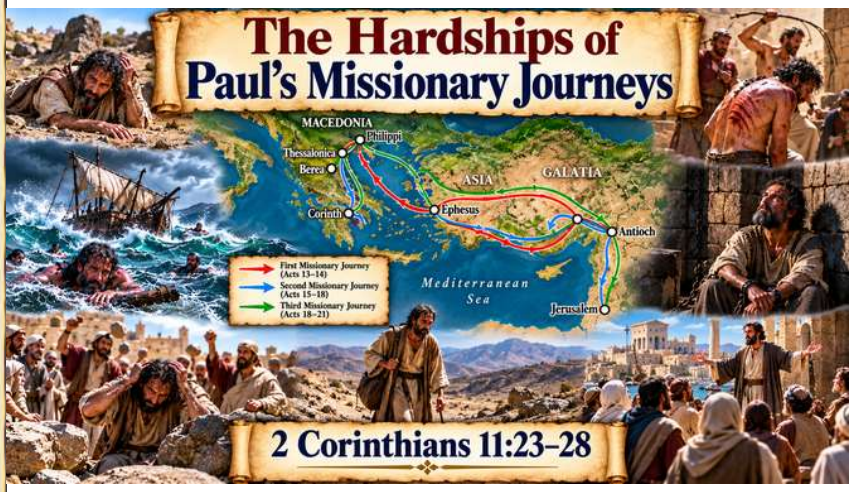

But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

1 Timothy 2:12 KJV

Special Prayer Requests/Updates

- ***Rebecca Snyder's*** TAVR surgery is scheduled for October 29 to replace her aortic heart valve.
- ***Jasmyn Serigne***, Sonny and Laura's graddaughter, is once again fighting cancer and is having difficulty with the side effects of the treatment.
- ***Mark Lance***, did not get the anticipated injection to improve his hip pain and has been referred to another physician.
- Please continue to pray for ***Darnell Smith***, Anthony's brother, for successful acceptance of his new kidney. Thanking God that he has not had to have dialysis in over a month!
- ***Jackie Gamble*** seeks prayers for her back pain and decisions about surgery.
- ***Susan Snyder Ainsworth*** is undergoing additional treatment for her recurrence of cancer.

Worship Assignments

Sunday, October 4
Gospel Meeting
AM Sermon:
Bill Boyd
PM Sermon:
Bill Boyd

Wednesday, October 7
Gospel Meeting
Bill Boyd
Songs:
Scott Russell

Wednesday, Oct. 14
Songs:
Anthony Smith
PM Devotional:
Mark Lance

Sunday, October 11
AM Sermon:
Mark Lance
PM Sermon:
Mark Lance

Sunday, October 18
AM Sermon:
Mark Lance
PM Devotional:
Butch Snyder

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Services of The Church

Sunday	
Bible Classes	**9:00 am**
AM Worship	**10:00 am**
PM Worship	**6:00 pm**
Wednesday	
Bible Classes	**7:00 pm**

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