



# Creative Ways To Worship God

## Incorporating Worship Into Your Life Group

Worship is a key component to every Life Group. Here are some creative ideas for including worship in your Life Group meeting.

### Worshiping God through our testimony (Revelation 12:11; 19:10)

1. Tell the group that we want to celebrate with them what God has done in their lives this week/month/year. We will do so by allowing time for everyone who wants to give a one sentence testimony of what God has done in and through them. After each one we will celebrate together by making a joyful noise together with instruments and shouting...example: Paul: "God healed me of my headache." Everyone Yeah!!! Thank you God!! (noise with instruments) Susana: "He helped me make an A on my exam!!! Everyone Yeah!!! Thank you God!! (noise with instruments)
2. Have one or two testimonies—have those people pray for others in that group that need God to do the same thing in their lives (example if someone was healed have them pray for those who need healing or if God provided have them pray for people in the group that need provision).
3. Tell the history/testimony of a song or hymn then sing the song all together.

### Worshiping God through Prayer

(the key is to encourage people to either pray all at the same time or to pray short prayers so that all that want to be engaged can be so)

1. Pick a topic to praise God for and have everyone pray at the same time about this (example God is merciful, God is loving, God is just, etc).
2. Have it be a night where only thanksgiving prayers are prayed.
3. Pray a prayer out of scripture together such as the Lords prayer, the pray in John 17, etc.
4. Pick a prayer in the Bible read it and have everyone write their own out...take time for a few people to read/pray their own.
5. Instead of using songs use prayers as you engage your body in different positions of praise and worship (example let's all lift our hands and worship God, or let's all bow down together and worship God in silence, or in prayer).
6. Turn on worship music but don't sing just enjoy being in the presence of the Lord and having intimate conversation with Him (this is sometimes called soaking prayer).
7. What to pray:
  - a. names of God
  - b. characteristics of God
  - c. thanks for what God has done
  - d. stand in awe of God
  - e. pray the fruits of the spirit (Galatians 5:22-23)
  - f. prayers in the Bible

### Worshiping God with our bodies (praise)

1. Declaring of thanks (Hebrews 13:15)
2. Clapping hands and shouting (Psalms 47:1)
3. Musical instruments and dancing (Psalms 150:4)
4. Singing praise songs (Psalms 9:11)
5. Psalms, hymns, & spiritual songs (Ephesians 5:19-20)
6. Making a joyful noise (Psalms 98:4)
7. Lifting hands (Psalms 134:2)
8. Being still (Psalms 4:3-5, 46:10)
9. Being loud (Psalms 33:3, 95:1-6)



## Worshiping God through the reading of scriptures

1. Pick a Psalm and read it all together.
2. Pick a Psalm and divide it up between the worship leader reading a part and the rest of the people reading the other parts all together.
3. Read a Psalm—now explain that a Psalm is simply a song or a poem of praise to God. Then allow a few minutes to allow people to write their own. Don't forget to ask a few people to share what they have written.

## Worshiping God through art

1. Pick a character of God and ask everyone to draw a picture or write something about what that characteristic means to them (example: All-knowing, eternal, love, mercy, etc).
2. Pick something/an area of your life that you need God in and surrender it to Him as you draw a picture or write a poem about what you want to surrender to Him.
3. Take a scripture and draw what comes to mind—as you draw surrender your body and imagination to God—thank Him for being your creator.
4. Thank God for being your creator and ask Him to help you create things that would bring Him glory or describe Him—draw/write whatever comes to mind—share it with the group and look for themes. Maybe God will speak something special to you all as a whole.

## Declaring His character (Hebrews 13:15)

1. Take a box and papers and have everyone write down one or two words describing who God is to them—now put them back in the box everyone draws a different piece of paper and they pray short prayers of thanks and praise worship using that word/characteristic.
2. Bring words with the names of God already on them (if your group is mainly new Christians than use words/characteristics that have already been studied in the group) every one take three---now instruct the people to pray a one or two sentence prayer using that characteristic.
3. Bring words with the names of God already on them (if your group is mainly new Christians than use words/characteristics that have already been studied in the group). Also bring paper and pencils/color pencils. Have each person draw what they think of when they see the name and what it may represent. Don't forget to take a few minutes and share because the point is to declare who God is and what He means to us.
4. Take verses of God's character and give them to each person in the group or just several people and have them pray that characteristic out loud over the group.