

Weekly Morning Meditations

Do You Know The 'W-A-Y'?

Monday - THE WAY OF 'WORSHIP'

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. John 4:23 [KJV]

WORSHIP reverence or devotion to a deity

OFFERING to present to <God> in an act of worship; to present for approval or acceptance

SACRIFICE the act of giving up something valued for the sake of something having a more pressing claim

HOW DO WE WORSHIP GOD?

- Ye shall *keep my sabbaths*, and *reverence my sanctuary*: I am the Lord. Leviticus 19:30
- Offer the *sacrifices of righteousness*, and *put your trust in the Lord*. Psalm 4:5
- ...therefore will I offer in his tabernacle *sacrifices of joy*; Psalm 27:6 (e.g. Psalm 126:5)
- The sacrifices of God are *a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart*, O God, thou wilt not despise. Psalm 51:17
- *Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow*. Isaiah 1:17 (see Isaiah 1:11-20)
- He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, *but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?* Micah 6:8
- present *your bodies a living sacrifice*, holy, acceptable unto God... Romans 12:1
- ...be ye transformed by the *renewing of your mind*, Romans 12:2 (e.g. Phillippians 4:8)
- But to *do good and to communicate* forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Hebrews 13:16

Wednesday - THE WAY OF 'ACCCESS'

...no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. John 14:6 [KJV]

ACCESS the act of coming toward or near to; approach; a way or means of approaching, getting, using, etc.; the right to enter approach or use; admittance

- through **BOWING** (HEB- bend <the knee>, sink, prostrate) **TO HIM**
O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker. Psalm 95:6
- through **BROKENNESS** (HEB-burst, break, crush, bring to the birth) **BY HIM**
The Lord is nigh (HEB- cause to approach) unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. Psalm 34:18
- through **BOASTING** (to talk about deeds, abilities, etc. in a manner showing too much pride and satisfaction) **ON HIM**
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, Psalm 95:2
- through **BELIEVING** (to have trust or confidence in as being true, real, good, etc.) **IN HIM**
...for he that cometh to God must believe that he is. Hebrews 11:6
- through the **BEGOTTEN** (to bring into being; produce) **OF HIM**
no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. John 14:6

Friday - THE WAY OF 'YES'

And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. Matthew 9:28 [KJV]

YES be it so; it is so; used to express agreement, consent, affirmation or confirmation

AMEN (HEB) so be it; truly - (WEB) may it be so; so it is; used after a prayer or to express approval; verify

THE POWER OF 'YES'

It shows AFFIRMATION	It opens DOORS
It confirms ACCEPTANCE	It creates OPPORTUNITIES
It reveals WILLINGNESS	It promotes POSSIBILITIES
It considers ALTERNATIVES	

THE EFFECTS OF 'NO'

TERMINATION	REJECTION
SEPARATION	REPRESSION
DEATH	DISCONNECTION

THOSE WHO SAID 'YES' TO GOD

- a LEPER (Matthew 8:2-3)
- TWO BLIND MEN (Matthew 9:27-29)
- a WOMAN (Mark 7:25-29)
- MARTHA (John 11:25-27)
- PETER (John 21:15-16)

THOSE WHO SAID 'NO' TO GOD

- PHAROAH (Exodus 5:1-2)
- an UNNAMED MAN (1 Kings 20:35-36)
- AHAZ (Isaiah 7:10-13)
- JONAH (Jonah 1)
- SCRIBES AND PHARISEES (Matthew 21:28-32)

THE 'SECRET' TO SUCCESS.....

For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us. 2 Cor. 1:20