

A Worshipper's Foundation Session 9

I. The Philosophy of Praise

- praise n.* 1) an _____ of approval or admiration
2) an _____ of respect or gratitude as an act of worship

expression n. – the process of _____, conveying or putting into words, one's thoughts, feelings, emotions or opinions

A. Benefits of Praise

1. Praise positions us to enter the _____. Numbers 14
2. Praise is a _____ of spiritual warfare – It invites the _____ (Christ) to fight on our behalf.
Jehovah-tsebaoth – “The Lord of _____”
 - a. Satan stands _____ and _____ before praise. Psalm 8:2
 - b. Praise causes _____ and _____ in Satan's ranks. 2 Chronicles 20:22; Psalm 9:1–3
 - c. Praise _____ the saint for war.
Psalm 149:6–9 (NIV)
May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edged sword in their hands, to inflict vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples, to bind their kings with fetters, their nobles with shackles of iron, to carry out the sentence written against them. This is the _____ of all His saints. Praise the Lord.
4. Brings you into _____ with the heavenly realms. Revelation 4:11; 5:12–13; 15:3–4
Praise helps people to _____ through heavens _____.
2 Kings 6:16–17 (NIV)
“Don't be afraid,” the prophet answered. “Those who are with us are more than those who are with them.” And Elisha prayed, “O Lord, open his eyes so he may see.” Then the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.
5. Praise is _____.
Psalm 40:3 (NIV)
He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.
6. Praise is a _____.
Colossians 3:16 (NIV)
Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.