



The Worship Leader's
Prep School



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PEDDE WORSHIP LEXICON

Worship Leader = a person involved in any
worship or arts department role.



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GOALS determine Focus
Focus fuels Actions
Actions serve GOALS

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Questions We Ask:

What are some of my personal worship leading **Goals**?

What are some of our team worship leading **Goals**?

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A few random personal goals and team goals:

- To be accepted, liked...
- To not stink (play wrong notes, sing off key...)
- To collect praise & worship for a deserving God
- To create an atmosphere conducive to the presentation of the Word (a.k.a. To set the mood)
- To expand our ministry (aka. our influence)
- To promote our new CD
- Many many more...varies from week to week

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Let's think about this one for a minute:

To collect
praise & worship
for a deserving God.



Is this our goal? Is this what He wants?

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“Worship is: Being with God and responding appropriately to Him”



Free will response.

Love given ↔ Love received ↔ Love reciprocated



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“What makes you think I want all your sacrifices?” says the Lord. “I am sick of your... offerings. When you come to worship me, who asked you to parade through my courts with all your ceremony? Stop bringing me your meaningless gifts...your offerings disgust me.”



Isaiah 1:11-13 NLT

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“When you come before me, whoever gave you the idea of acting like this, running here and there, doing this and that – all this sheer commotion in the place provided for worship. Quit your worship charades. I can’t stand your trivial religious games:”



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"Monthly conferences, weekly Sabbaths, special meetings – meetings, meetings, meetings – I can't stand one more. Meetings for this, meetings for that. I hate them! You've worn me out! I am sick of your religion, religion, religion while you go right on sinning."

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"When you put on your next prayer performance, I'll be looking the other way. No matter how long or loud or often you pray, I'll not be listening...Go home and wash up. Sweep your lives clean of your evil doings so I don't have to look at them any longer. Say no to wrong. Learn to do good... "



Isaiah 1:12-17 THE MESSAGE

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And so the Lord says,

"These people say they are mine. They honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. And their worship of me is nothing but man-made rules learned by rote."



Isaiah 29:12-13 NLT

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GOD'S GOAL:



Full-on, honest, loving, intimate,
in spirit and **truth**
interaction/relationship
with each person.

This answers the "why?" of our creation.



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It's **who you are** and the way you live that count before God...That's the kind of people the Father is out looking for: those who are simply and honestly themselves before him in their worship. God is sheer **being** - Spirit. Those who worship him must do it out of their very **being**, their spirits, their **true selves**, in adoration.



John 4:23-24 The MESSAGE

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*"...God is equally concerned
with what He is doing **IN YOU**
as with what He is
doing **THROUGH YOU.**"*

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*"...God is equally concerned
with what He is doing **IN YOU**
(Being)
as with what He is
doing **THROUGH YOU.**"
(Doing)*

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*"I am a human **being**
not a human **doing.**"*
Kurt Vonnegut Jr. (1922-2007)



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Take your everyday, ordinary life - your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing that you can do for Him...fix your attention on God. You'll be changed **from the inside out...**"
Romans 12:1-2 The MESSAGE

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Loving God with my
Heart (will)




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Loving God with my
Heart (will)



Restored through
Surrender



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Loving God with my
Soul (emotions)



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Loving God with my
Soul (emotions)

Restored through
Healing

Heart
(will sur-
rendered)

Soul
(emotions
healed)



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Loving God with my
Mind (intellect)

Heart
(will sur-
rendered)

Soul
(emotions
healed)

Mind

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Loving God with my
Mind (intellect)

Restored through
Study

Heart
(will sur-
rendered)

Soul
(emotions
healed)

Mind
(intellect
exercised)

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Loving God with my
Strength (talent)

Heart
(will sur-
rendered)

Soul
(emotions
healed)

Mind
(intellect
exercised)

Strength

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Loving God with my
Strength (talent)



Restored through
Development

Heart
(will sur-
rendered)

Soul
(emotions
healed)

Mind
(intellect
exercised)

Strength
(talent
developed)

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Love the Lord your God
with all your **heart**
and with all your **soul**
and with all your **mind**
and with all **strength**.
Mark 12:30

Heart
(will sur-
rendered)

Soul
(emotions
healed)

Mind
(intellect
exercised)

Strength
(talent
developed)



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A WORD DEFINITION:



"Worship"

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"Christian worship is...our participation through the Spirit in the Son's communion with the Father. It is our response to our Father for all that He has done for us in Christ."
James Torrance

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"The worship of the true and living God is essentially an engagement with Him on the terms that He proposes and in the way that He alone makes possible."
David Peterson

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"Worship is: Being with God and responding appropriately to Him"
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"Corporate worship is the act of being together with God and each other and responding appropriately to God and each other."
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GOD'S GOAL FOR OUR GATHERINGS:

That each person will experience a full-on, honest, loving, intimate, "in spirit and truth," relational interaction with Him and with each other.

Note: Everything we plan and do as leaders should keep God's goal in mind.

The WORSHIP LEADER'S JOB DESCRIPTION:

1. Teach* Theology
2. Facilitate* Response

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1. Teach* Theology
a. His Character
b. His Story / Our Story



2. Facilitate* Response
a. Worship Elements
b. Worship Actions

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WORSHIP FIRST PRINCIPLES

brief ideas on the essentials for
Christian Worship

by
david j. pedde / your.worship.mentor

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+CALL .we gather

This is the summons for God's people to
join in the communion of the Trinity



He welcomes. We respond.

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+COMPLIMENT .we praise

This is the initial investigation and observation of God's Character attributes: His beauty, His worth and His creation



He reveals Himself. We worship Him.

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+CREED .we declare our beliefs

This is the affirmative declaration of Christ-centered doctrinal articles of faith.



He teaches. We learn, remember and reiterate our beliefs.

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+CONFESSION .we repent

This is the acknowledgement of sin and our desperate need for a Savior accompanied by individual and corporate confession



He convicts of sin. We confess, repent and receive forgiveness.

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+CARE RECEIVED . wisdom,
strength, encouragement

This is the humble acknowledgement of real personal and spiritual needs, involving petitions to God Who so generously provides.

He graciously gives. We receive with thanks

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+CARE GIVEN . encouragement,
intercession, offerings

This is the refocusing on the needs of others and the tangible, obedient response to those needs, whatever they may be.



He prompts us to give to others. We obediently follow through


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+COMMISSION .we go


This is the benedictory blessing, the call to go on mission for the sake of Christ and His Kingdom.


He sends us with a specific mandate. We purposefully and aggressively act on it.

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