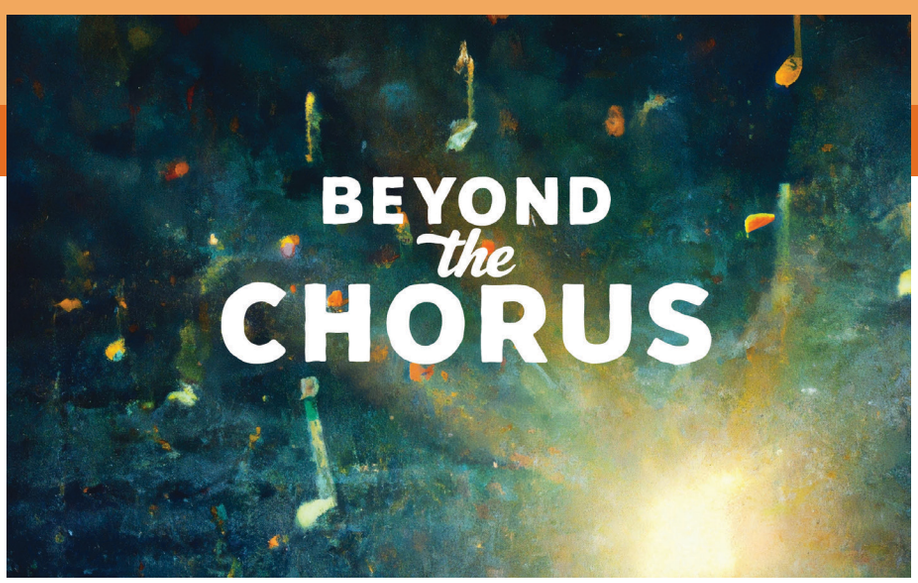
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A 5-Day Reflection Guide

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SERMON SERIES:

BEYOND THE CHORUS

WEEK & TOPIC:

WEEK 1 - THERE'S MORE TO THE SONG

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This Week's Big Idea

Everybody has a song! Music connects us with memories, emotions, and experiences. And some of our most meaningful memories are connected to songs we've sung in worship. But what if there's more to worship than the songs we sing? There's more to worship than the chorus. God isn't looking for a better performance; He's looking for hearts that genuinely desire Him.

Day 1: There's More to the Song



TODAYS SCRIPTURE

Psalm 96:1 (NLT) "Sing a new song to the Lord! Let the whole earth sing to the Lord!"

Psalm 40:3 (NLT) "He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God."

TODAY'S SEED

There's something remarkable about the song Sweet Caroline. It was released in 1969, yet more than fifty years later, you can hear it playing in stadiums filled with thousands of people. And when it reaches that familiar part of the chorus, everybody knows what to do! **Bum! Bum! Bum!** The whole stadium joins in!

The funny thing is, many of those people don't know the verses. They might mumble their way through the beginning, but when the chorus comes around, they're all in! Sometimes I wonder if we do something similar in church. We know the songs. We know when to stand, when to clap, and when to raise our hands. We've learned the familiar parts of worship. **But what if there's more to the song than the part everybody knows?**

Throughout Scripture, God repeatedly encourages His people to sing a new song. Now, that doesn't necessarily mean we need new music. Some of the oldest songs can become fresh and meaningful when they're sung from a heart that's genuinely connecting with God. And we can sing the newest worship song without our hearts being engaged at all. **A new song isn't necessarily new music. It's a fresh response to the God who is still at work.**

Maybe there's a song that reminds you of when you first came to Christ. Or a season when God answered a prayer, brought you through difficulty, or demonstrated His faithfulness. Those are wonderful memories worth treasuring! But here's the question. **Has your experience with God continued growing, or are you still singing only about what He did years ago?**

Psalm 40 tells us that God lifted David from a pit, established his feet, and put a new song in his mouth. David's song flowed from his experience of God's goodness. And God is still at work in your life today! He's still faithful. Still merciful. Still worthy of your praise. So don't settle for merely knowing the chorus.

There's more to the song because there's always more to discover about the God we're singing to.

BENEATH THE SURFACE

In Psalm 96:1, the Hebrew expression for new song is **shîr chādāsh** . **Shîr** means a song or singing. **Chādāsh** means new or fresh. The invitation isn't limited to learning unfamiliar music. It's an invitation to respond afresh to God's greatness and faithfulness. Psalm 40:3 takes this even further. David's new song becomes a testimony that causes others to put their trust in the Lord. **A fresh encounter with God can produce a fresh expression of praise–and that praise can influence someone else's faith.**

DON'T MISS THIS

You can sing an old song with a fresh heart, or a brand-new song with a heart that's completely disengaged. God is interested in your heart.

TEND THE GARDEN

Spend a few quiet moments reflecting.

1. What's a worship song that immediately takes you back to a meaningful experience with God?
2. Have you ever found yourself simply going through the motions during worship without really engaging your heart?
3. Are you growing in your knowledge and experience of God, or relying mostly on what you experienced years ago?
4. What might change in your worship if you approached every opportunity as a chance to encounter God afresh?

WATER THE SEED

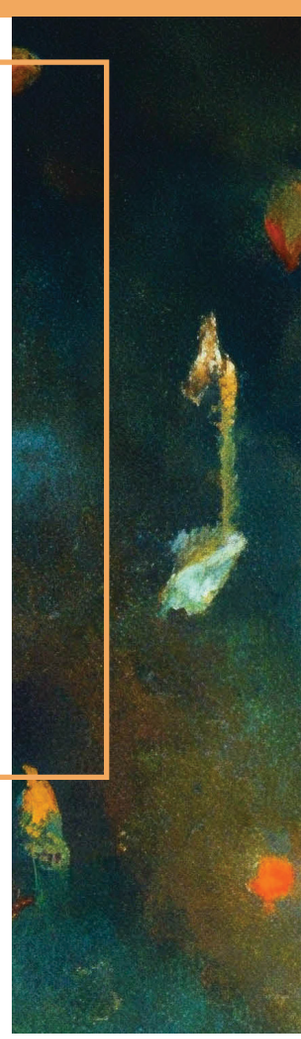
Today, choose a worship song that has been meaningful to you in the past. Before you play it, take a few minutes to read Psalm 40:1–3. Remember something God has brought you through, and thank Him for His faithfulness. Then listen to or sing that familiar song again. But this time, don't simply revisit yesterday's memories. **Ask God to give you a fresh awareness of His goodness today.** Pay attention to the words. Think about who God is. Allow the song to become more than a familiar melody. Let it become a fresh expression of your love and gratitude.

GROW THIS IN ME

Father,

Thank You for Your incredible faithfulness throughout my life. As I look back, I can remember so many times You've demonstrated Your goodness, answered prayers, strengthened me, and carried me through difficult seasons. I'm grateful for those experiences and the songs that remind me of them. But Lord, I don't want my relationship with You to become something that exists only in yesterday's memories. I want to keep growing. I want to know You more deeply, experience Your presence more fully, and respond to Your goodness with a heart that's genuinely engaged. Forgive me for the times I've allowed worship to become routine. Help me move beyond simply knowing the songs to knowing You better. Give me fresh eyes to see Your faithfulness, fresh gratitude for Your goodness, and a renewed desire to draw near to You. Put a new song in my heart—not merely a new melody, but a fresh response to who You are. And may my worship encourage others to discover Your goodness, too.

In Jesus' name, Amen.



DON'T SETTLE FOR KNOWING THE CHORUS. **THERE'S MORE TO THE SONG—AND THERE'S MORE TO DISCOVER ABOUT THE GOD YOU'RE SINGING TO!**

LOOKING AHEAD

Tomorrow – The Place or the Person?

For generations, God's people traveled to Shiloh to worship. Later, Jerusalem became the center of worship, while the Samaritans worshiped at Mount Gerizim. Everyone had strong convictions about the right place. Then Jesus met a woman at a well and changed the conversation. **She wanted to settle an argument about a place. Jesus wanted to transform the person doing the worshiping.** Tomorrow, we'll discover why the heart of worship has never been merely about where we worship.

Day 2:
The Place or the Person?



TODAYS SCRIPTURE

John 4:23 (NLT) "But the time is coming—indeed it's here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way."

TODAY'S SEED

On our recent trip to Israel, we visited a place called ancient Shiloh. It's not nearly as famous as Jerusalem or Bethlehem, but Shiloh has an extraordinary history. After Israel entered the Promised Land, the tabernacle—the place where God's people gathered to worship—was established at Shiloh. For generations, people traveled there to offer sacrifices and encounter God. Hannah prayed there, pouring out her heart before the Lord. Samuel grew up serving there and learned to recognize God's voice. Shiloh was a sacred place filled with spiritual history. Eventually, Jerusalem became the center of Jewish worship. But the Samaritans believed Mount Gerizim was the proper place. And people had some pretty strong opinions about which location was right!

Sound familiar? In John 4, a Samaritan woman asked Jesus about this very disagreement. She wanted to know where people were supposed to worship. But Jesus gave her an answer she probably wasn't expecting. He explained that the Father was seeking people who would worship Him in spirit and truth. **She wanted to settle an argument about a place. Jesus wanted to transform the person doing the worshiping.**

Here's where this gets personal. I've lived through several generations of worship styles. There was a time when hymnbooks, organs, and pianos were considered the proper way to worship. Then came guitars and overhead projectors. Later, drums, lights, and modern worship music. And somewhere along the way, we managed to argue about almost all of it!

But here's something worth remembering. **Sometimes the very thing that helped us encounter God in one season becomes something we insist God must use in every season.** There's nothing wrong with treasured traditions. But the purpose of worship was never the tradition itself. It's encountering the living God.

Jesus wasn't telling the woman that worship didn't matter. He was revealing that worship was about something much deeper than a location. And the same is true today. **You can be in the right building, singing the right songs, and still miss the heart of worship.** Because God isn't simply looking for a place where people worship. **He's looking for people whose hearts genuinely desire Him.**

BENEATH THE SURFACE

In John 4, the Samaritan woman referred to **"this mountain"** —Mount Gerizim, where Samaritans believed worship should take place. Jewish worship centered on Jerusalem. These weren't merely disagreements about personal preference. They reflected centuries of religious history and competing convictions. But Jesus shifted the conversation. He spoke of a time when worship would no longer be defined by either mountain. The Father was seeking **worshipers.** Notice the distinction: Jesus didn't say the Father was searching for the perfect location, musical arrangement, or religious tradition. **He was seeking people who would worship Him in spirit and truth.** The location mattered to the woman. The heart of the worshiper mattered to Jesus.

DON'T MISS THIS

Sometimes the very thing that helped us encounter God in one season becomes something we insist God must use in every season.

TEND THE GARDEN

Spend a few quiet moments reflecting.

1. What places, songs, or traditions have played a meaningful role in your relationship with God?
2. Have you ever allowed a personal worship preference to become something you believed everyone else should embrace?
3. Is it possible to participate in worship outwardly while your heart remains distracted or disengaged? When have you experienced that?
4. What would it look like for you to pursue God's presence more intentionally, regardless of the setting or style of worship?

WATER THE SEED

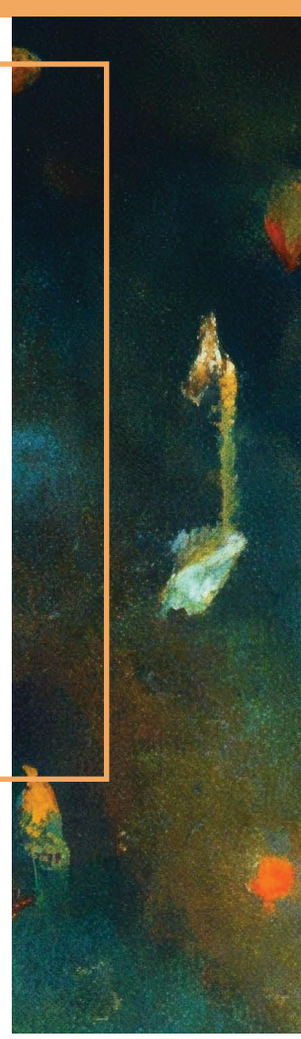
Today, take a few minutes to think about a meaningful place where you've encountered God. Maybe it was a church sanctuary, a camp, a prayer meeting, or even your own living room. Thank God for what happened there. Then remind yourself of something important: **The God who met you there is the same God who wants to meet with you here.** Find a quiet place today, even if it's somewhere ordinary. Put aside distractions, open your Bible to John 4:19–24, and spend a few minutes simply talking with God. Don't worry about music, atmosphere, or creating the perfect moment. Just draw near to Him. And when you gather with your church family again, make this your prayer: **"Father, help me focus more on You than on my preferences."**

GROW THIS IN ME

Father,

Thank You for the many places and experiences where I've encountered Your presence. I'm grateful for the songs, traditions, and people You've used to help me grow in my relationship with You. Those memories are precious, and I don't want to forget them. But Lord, I also don't want to become so attached to the familiar that I miss what You're doing today. Forgive me for the times I've allowed personal preferences to become more important than the purpose of worship. Help me remember that worship isn't ultimately about a building, a style of music, or a particular atmosphere. It's about You. Give me a heart that genuinely desires Your presence. Teach me to worship You in spirit and truth. Help me appreciate the ways others express their love for You, even when they're different from what I'm accustomed to. And wherever I find myself today, remind me that I can draw near to You. I don't want to simply know the right songs or attend the right services. **I want to know You.**

In Jesus' name, Amen.



TREASURE THE PLACES WHERE YOU'VE ENCOUNTERED GOD, BUT DON'T CONFUSE THE PLACE WITH THE PURPOSE. **THERE'S MORE TO WORSHIP THAN THE CHORUS!**

LOOKING AHEAD

Tomorrow – More Than a Melody:

Is praise simply the fast songs and worship the slow songs? That's how we sometimes describe them, but Scripture gives us a much richer picture.

Tomorrow, we'll explore what it really means to praise and worship God—and why **praise gives voice to God's greatness while worship responds to His worth.**

Day 3 :
More Than a Melody



TODAYS SCRIPTURE

Psalm 150:2 (NLT) Praise him for his mighty works; praise his unequaled greatness!

John 4:23 (NLT) The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way.

TODAY'S SEED

Have you ever noticed how we sometimes describe the music in church? We call the fast songs praise and the slow songs worship. And I understand why. Fast songs often encourage us to celebrate, clap our hands, and express our joy. Slower songs can create space for reflection, reverence, and intimacy with God. But here's something worth remembering. **Tempo isn't a biblical definition of praise or worship.**

You can sing a fast song and genuinely worship God. And you can sing a slow song without your heart being engaged at all! So what's the difference? Let's start with praise. The Hebrew word halal carries the idea of celebrating, commending, or boasting. It's where we get the word hallelujah. **Praise is giving voice to the greatness of God.** Think about how people respond when their favorite team wins a championship. They're shouting, clapping, jumping, and celebrating! Nobody has to tell them to express their excitement. Why? Because they believe something happened that's worth celebrating! And haven't we experienced something far greater through Jesus Christ?

Now consider worship. The Greek word proskyneō, used in John 4, describes bowing down or showing reverence before someone worthy of honor. It's the picture of a person bowing before a king. **Worship is recognizing God's worth and responding with reverence and surrender.** Praise declares how great God is. Worship responds to who God is. And here's where it gets personal. We can sing about God's greatness without surrendering to His authority. We can raise our hands during a song while refusing to release something we've been holding tightly in our hearts. But genuine worship invites us to do more than acknowledge that God is worthy.

It invites us to give Him the place He deserves in our lives. That's why worship is so much more than music. It's a heart that recognizes who God is and responds accordingly. And sometimes the most meaningful expression of worship isn't the song coming out of your mouth.

It's the surrender taking place in your heart.

BENEATH THE SURFACE

Two biblical words help us understand the richness of praise and worship. **Halal (Hebrew):** To praise, celebrate, commend, or boast. It's the root of hallelujah, a call to praise the Lord. Psalm 150 paints a picture of joyful, expressive praise through instruments, dancing, and celebration.

Proskyneō (Greek): To bow down, show reverence, or offer homage. In John 4, Jesus uses this word while describing the worship the Father desires. These aren't competing ideas. Praise can be an expression of worship, and worship can include praise. The distinction helps us remember that **praise frequently emphasizes declaration, while worship emphasizes reverence, devotion, and surrender.** Neither is defined by how fast or slowly a song is played.

DON'T MISS THIS

Praise gives voice to God's greatness. Worship gives our hearts to His authority.

TEND THE GARDEN

Spend a few quiet moments reflecting.

1. When you think about praise and worship, do you naturally think about music, or do you think about your response to God?
2. Are you more comfortable expressing joyful praise or quiet reverence? Why do you think that is?
3. Is there an area of your life where you're acknowledging God's greatness but struggling to surrender to His authority?
4. What would it look like to carry an attitude of worship beyond Sunday morning and into your everyday decisions?

WATER THE SEED

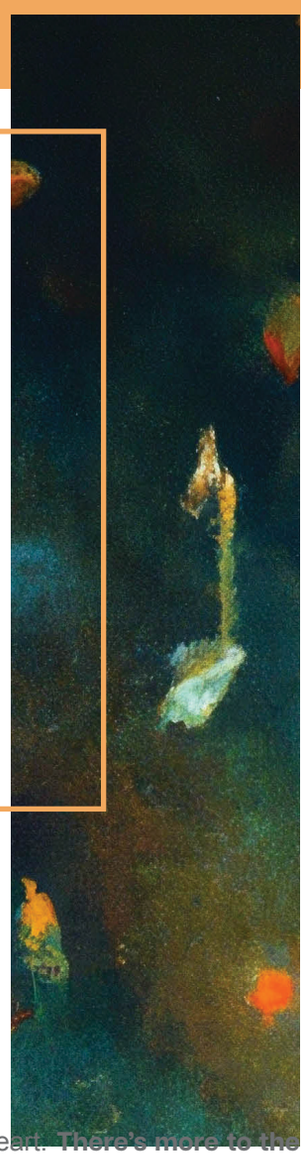
Today, practice both praise and worship intentionally. **First, praise Him.** Read Psalm 150 and spend a few minutes declaring God's greatness aloud. Thank Him for His goodness, faithfulness, mercy, and power. Don't be afraid to express your gratitude! **Then, worship Him.**
Find a quiet moment and reflect on who God is. Ask yourself, Is there something in my life I need to surrender to Him? Maybe it's a worry you've been carrying, a decision you've been resisting, or an attitude that needs to change. Offer it to Him in prayer. Remember, **worship isn't just declaring that God is worthy. It's responding to His worth.**

GROW THIS IN ME

Father,

You are worthy of all my praise and worship. Thank You for Your goodness, Your faithfulness, and the incredible things You've done in my life. I have so many reasons to celebrate who You are! But Lord, I don't want my worship to be limited to the words I sing or the emotions I feel during a church service. I want my life to reflect Your worth. Teach me to praise You with joy and enthusiasm. And teach me to worship You with reverence, humility, and surrender. Show me the areas of my life where I've been holding on too tightly to my own preferences, plans, or desires. Help me trust You enough to release them. I acknowledge that You are God, that You are good, and that Your ways are higher than mine. May my words declare Your greatness, and may my choices demonstrate that You are Lord of my life. Let my worship become more than a melody. Let it become a genuine expression of a heart devoted to You.

In Jesus' name, Amen.



DON'T SETTLE FOR KNOWING THE CHORUS. **THERE'S MORE TO THE SONG–AND THERE'S MORE TO DISCOVER ABOUT THE GOD YOU'RE SINGING TO!**

LOOKING AHEAD

Tomorrow – Between Spirit and Truth:

Don't measure your worship by the music. Measure it by the place God occupies in your heart. **There's more to the song!**

Day 4 :
Between Spirit and Truth



TODAYS SCRIPTURE

John 4:23–24 (NLT) "The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth."

TODAY'S SEED

Have you ever stood beside a river and watched the water flowing? There's something fascinating about the way a river moves. The water is constantly moving, yet the river follows a particular course. Why? Because of its banks. Those banks give the water direction. Without them, the water spreads out, loses its defined channel, and can become destructive. I think that's a helpful picture of something Jesus taught about worship.

In John 4, Jesus told the Samaritan woman that the Father is seeking people who will worship Him **in spirit and truth** . Think of those as the two banks of a river. **Truth gives our worship substance. Spirit gives our worship life.** Let's start with truth. Worship must be grounded in who God really is—not merely who we imagine Him to be or who we'd prefer Him to be. That's why knowing God's Word is so important. The more we understand His character, His goodness, His faithfulness, and His promises, the more meaningful our worship becomes. **The depth of your worship is connected to the depth of your revelation of God.**

But there's another bank to this river. Spirit. Worship isn't simply knowing the right things about God. It's responding to Him from the heart. You can know all the words to a worship song and never really engage with the God you're singing about. You can understand biblical truths and still allow worship to become something mechanical. **Truth without heartfelt engagement can become empty routine.** And enthusiasm without truth can become little more than emotion. But when truth and spirit come together, something beautiful happens. Our worship becomes both grounded and genuine. We're not simply singing because we like the music. We're responding because we know the God we're singing to. And the more we know Him, the more we discover reasons to praise Him.

So here's a question worth considering. **Are you merely familiar with the words of worship, or are you growing in your relationship with the One those words describe?** Because there's more to the song. And there's always more to discover about God.

BENEATH THE SURFACE

In John 4:24, Jesus says that God is Spirit and that those who worship Him must worship **in spirit and truth** . These words describe something deeper than outward religious activity. **Truth** anchors our worship in the reality of who God is. Our worship must be shaped by His character and His Word. **Spirit** points us beyond merely external actions toward a genuine inward response to God. The two belong together. Truth keeps our worship from becoming disconnected from who God really is. Spirit keeps worship from becoming merely mechanical or an empty religious performance. **Authentic worship is grounded in God's truth and expressed through a heart genuinely responding to Him.**

DON'T MISS THIS

Truth gives our worship substance. Spirit gives our worship life. We need both banks for the river to flow as it should.

TEND THE GARDEN

Spend a few quiet moments reflecting.

1. How much of your worship is shaped by what you know about God through His Word?
2. Have you ever participated in worship outwardly while your heart was somewhere else?
3. Do you tend to emphasize understanding biblical truth or expressing heartfelt devotion? How could you grow in the other area?
4. What could you do this week to deepen both your knowledge of God and your personal response to Him?

WATER THE SEED

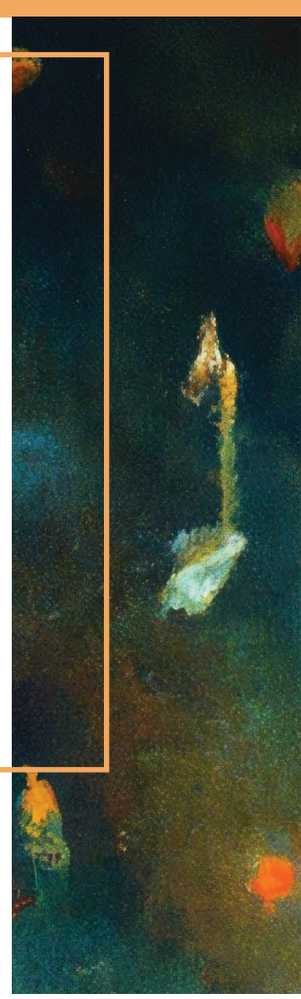
Today, practice bringing spirit and truth together. **Begin with truth.** Read Psalm 103:1–5 slowly. Notice what Scripture reveals about God's character and His goodness. He forgives. He heals. He redeems. He crowns us with love and mercy. Choose one truth from the passage and spend a few minutes thinking about what it means. **Then respond from your heart.** Turn that truth into an expression of worship. For example: "Father, Your Word says You are merciful. Thank You for the mercy You've shown me. I worship You because You are good and faithful." Don't rush through the exercise. Let what you know about God become something you personally express to Him. **Allow truth to inform your worship, and let your heart respond.**

GROW THIS IN ME

Father,

Thank You for revealing Yourself to me through Your Word. I'm grateful that I don't have to guess about who You are. You've shown me Your goodness, Your mercy, Your faithfulness, and Your love. Help me continue growing in my understanding of Your character. Give me a hunger for Your Word and a desire to know You more deeply. But Lord, I don't want my relationship with You to become merely an accumulation of information. I want to know You personally. I want my heart to respond to the truth I'm learning. Forgive me for the times I've gone through the motions of worship without truly engaging my heart. And protect me from allowing feelings or preferences to become more important than Your truth. Teach me to worship You in spirit and truth. Let Your Word shape my understanding, and let Your presence awaken fresh devotion within me. May my worship be more than familiar words or outward expressions. Let it flow from a heart that genuinely knows You and desires to honor You.

In Jesus' name, Amen.



DON'T SETTLE FOR WORSHIP THAT'S MERELY FAMILIAR OR EMOTIONAL. **LET GOD'S TRUTH FILL YOUR HEART, AND LET YOUR HEART RESPOND TO HIM!**

Tomorrow – Give Him Your Heart Before Your Song:

We've spent this week discovering that worship is about much more than music, location, tradition, or even outward expression.

But where does a genuinely new song begin? Tomorrow, we'll return to Psalm 40 and the Samaritan woman at the well to discover something powerful: **Before God puts a new song in your mouth, He wants to do something new in your heart.** And when He does, your worship can become a testimony that changes someone else's life.

Day 5: Give Him Your Heart Before Your Song



TODAYS SCRIPTURE

Psalm 40:3 (NLT) He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God.

John 4:39 (NLT) Many Samaritans from the village believed in Jesus because the woman had said, 'He told me everything I ever did!'

TODAY'S SEED

Have you ever noticed how much easier it is to talk about something you've personally experienced? Someone can tell you about a wonderful restaurant, a beautiful vacation destination, or an amazing product. But when you've experienced it yourself, there's a different kind of enthusiasm. You're not simply repeating information. **You're telling your story!**

That's what makes the conclusion of Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman so remarkable. She came to the well looking for water. She had questions about religion, worship, and which mountain was the proper place to encounter God. But Jesus wanted to give her something greater. He wanted to introduce her to living water. And by the time their conversation ended, something had changed. She left the well and began telling people about Jesus. John 4:39 tells us that many Samaritans believed because of her testimony. **She came asking where to worship. She left knowing Who was worthy of worship.**

Now think about David in Psalm 40. He describes waiting patiently for the Lord, being lifted from a terrible pit, and having his feet established on solid ground. Then he declares that God put a new song in his mouth. But the story doesn't end there. David says that many would see what God had done and put their trust in Him. Do you see the connection? **A fresh encounter with God produces something worth sharing.**

And that's what this entire week has been about. Worship isn't simply knowing the chorus. It isn't about finding the perfect place, choosing the right musical style, or creating the ideal atmosphere. It's about knowing God. And here's something I've discovered. **The depth of your worship is connected to the depth of your revelation of God.** The more you know Him, the more reasons you discover to praise Him. The more you experience His faithfulness, the more meaningful your worship becomes. And the more your heart is transformed, the more your life becomes a testimony. Maybe it's time to change your tune. Not musically. **Spiritually.** Because before God puts a new song in your mouth, He wants to do something new in your heart.

BENEATH THE SURFACE

Psalm 40:3 reveals an important progression. **God acts. David responds. Others are influenced.** God lifts David from the pit, establishes his feet, and gives him a new song. Then David says that many will see what God has done and put their trust in the Lord. John 4 follows a similar pattern. The Samaritan woman encounters Jesus, recognizes something extraordinary about Him, and shares her experience with her community. Her testimony becomes the beginning of a much larger response to Jesus. And the story continues beyond verse 39. The Samaritans eventually tell the woman that they believe because they've heard Jesus for themselves. **A testimony can introduce someone to Jesus, but the goal is for that person to know Him personally.** That's what genuine worship is ultimately about.

DON'T MISS THIS

Before God puts a new song in your mouth, He wants to do something new in your heart.

TEND THE GARDEN

Spend a few quiet moments reflecting.

1. As you've worked through this week's devotional, what has God been showing you about your own heart of worship?
2. Have you been singing the same spiritual song for too long—a song of disappointment, frustration, fear, or regret?
3. What experiences of God's faithfulness could become a testimony that encourages someone else?
4. What would it look like to pursue a fresh encounter with God rather than simply another familiar worship experience?

WATER THE SEED

Today, take a few minutes to reflect on everything we've explored this week. Think about the familiar songs, the traditions, the meaning of praise and worship, and Jesus' invitation to worship in spirit and truth. Then ask yourself one question: **"What's happening in my heart?"** Are you growing in your knowledge of God? Are you remembering His goodness? Are you cultivating gratitude? Are you drawing near to Him? Or has worship become something familiar that you simply go through each Sunday? Write down one thing God has done in your life that you're grateful for. Then consider sharing that testimony with someone. It doesn't have to be dramatic or complicated. Sometimes a simple statement about God's faithfulness is exactly what someone needs to hear. And before you finish, spend a few moments worshiping God–not because you have to, but because He's worthy. **Give Him your heart before you sing your song.**



GROW THIS IN ME

Father,

Thank You for the opportunity to know You. I'm grateful for the songs, the experiences, and the people You've used to help me grow in my relationship with You. But Lord, I don't want my worship to become something I simply go through. I don't want to be satisfied with knowing the familiar parts while missing the deeper relationship You're inviting me into. Search my heart. Show me where I've become distracted, discouraged, or spiritually complacent. Remind me of Your faithfulness. Renew my understanding of Your goodness. And awaken in me a fresh desire to know You more deeply. Help me worship You in spirit and truth. Let my praise declare Your greatness, and let my life demonstrate that You are worthy of my devotion and surrender. Thank You for the new song You're putting in my heart. And may my testimony encourage others to discover the joy of knowing Jesus.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

THERE'S MORE TO THE SONG BECAUSE THERE'S ALWAYS MORE TO DISCOVER ABOUT THE GOD WE'RE SINGING TO. **AND REMEMBER–THERE'S ALWAYS MORE!**

A Final Thought – There's Always More:

We've spent this week discovering that worship is so much more than music. It's not simply the songs we sing, the places we gather, or the traditions we've inherited. It's the response of a heart that knows God. And here's the beautiful thing. **There's always more to discover about Him.** More of His goodness. More of His faithfulness. More of His mercy. More of His love. And more opportunities for our lives to reflect His greatness. Remember the woman at the well? She came looking for water. She left with a testimony. And many people in her community came to believe in Jesus. That's what can happen when an encounter with God becomes something worth sharing. So as we finish this week, don't settle for simply knowing the chorus. Keep growing in your relationship with Jesus.

Keep discovering His goodness. Keep responding to Him with gratitude, reverence, and surrender. And keep allowing your life to become a testimony that encourages others to know Him. **Before God puts a new song in your mouth, He wants to do something new in your heart.** And when He does, there's no telling how far that song might reach.