Sermon Notes with Pastor's Teaching Tool RE-THINK - WORSHIP Worshipping Warriors August 21, 2022 Psalm 149:1-9 (v. 6) Let the high praises of GOD be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand!

<u>Teaching Purpose</u>

Answers the question, "<u>How</u> should I understand this verse?" Is the passage dealing with a:

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Sin to confess and forsake?	Promise to claim?	Example to follow?	<u>Command</u> to obey?	<u>Situation</u> or <u>State</u> <u>of mind</u> to avoid before it develops into a sin?

Sermonic Principles

Answer the question: "What's in it for me?"

I) Every Teacher has a Code and this is mine:

a) I don't teach the BIBLE; I teach People the BIBLE!

b) The "FOCUS" of My Teaching... is NOT the Transmission of Information But the Initiation of Transformation!

- c) Lteach for the purpose of "CHANGE"!
- d) The Goal of My Teaching is "CHANGE"!
- e) Lsee myself as an "Agent of CHANGE"!

II) The Book of Psalms is the longest book in the BIBLE.

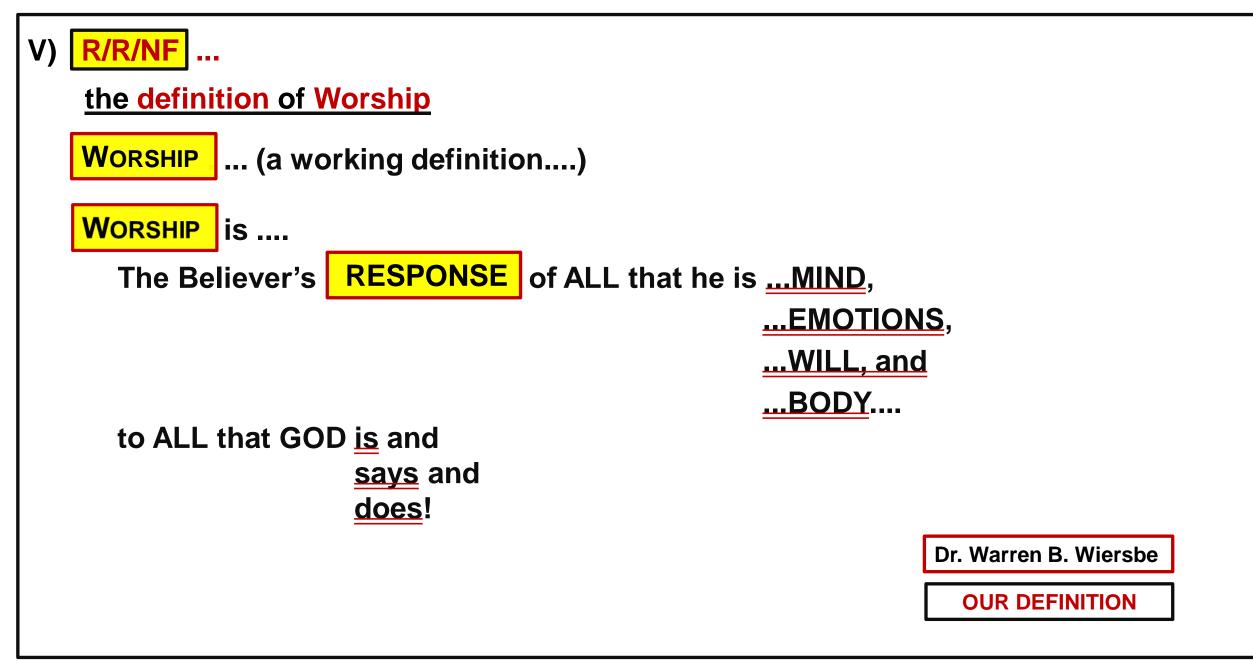
III) The Psalms are written...

a) to Teach US to Give Thanks,

b) to Bring to Remembrance the circumstances under which they were written, and

c) to Reveal the Lord Jesus Christ as the Key that unlocks the book!

- IV) The Outline of Psalm 149
 - a) vs 1-3 ... Hear the Call to Praise!
 - b) <u>vs 4-5</u> ... Hear the <u>Cause</u> for Praise!
 - c) vs 6-9 ... Hear the Conclusion!



VI) **Critical Questions** to guide your study of the Scriptures...

- a) <u>What did</u> this WORD mean to them... <u>Then?</u> (<u>Historically</u>)
- b) <u>What does</u> this WORD mean to us... <u>Now?</u> (<u>Contemporarily</u>)
- c) What <u>should</u> this WORD mean to me? (Personally)

VII) The emphasis in v. 6 is on

Praise.... Worship and Swords.... Weapons!!

VIII) **R / R / NF** ... that

- a) your <u>Savior</u>, <u>King</u> and <u>LORD</u> has a Rival / Challenger and a Competitor for <u>HIS THRONE</u>!
- b) the Rival / Challenger / and Competitor of your <u>LORD</u> is the Enemy / Adversary and Attacker of your soul!
- c) both your <u>LORD</u> and HIS Rival <u>Lucifer</u> (Isaiah 14:12-15) want your <u>WORSHIP</u> and your <u>SERVICE</u>!
- d) Your <u>LORD</u> wants your <u>WORSHIP</u> because HE is <u>WORTHY</u> and because HE wants to <u>GROW YOU</u> and <u>TRANSFORM Your Life</u>!
- e) <u>Lucifer</u> (satan) wants your <u>WORSHIP</u> because he wants to <u>destroy you</u> and <u>WORSHIP</u> is the easiest way to achieve that goal!

IX) The BOTTOM LINE

- a) A <u>Worshipping Church</u> is a <u>WARRING CHURCH</u>!
- b) A <u>Worshipping Christian</u> is a <u>WARRING CHRISTIAN</u>!

Action Point

Let the <u>HIGH PRAISE OF GOD</u> be in your mouth, and Let a <u>TWO-EDGED SWORD</u> be in your hand... AND...

FIGHT CHRISTIAN FIGHT!!

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