

Worship on Purpose

**“Church” = The Assembly of Christians on the Lord’s Day
at Calvary Baptist Church Simpsonville, South Carolina**

“Assembly”

people gathering together for a common purpose

*Acts 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken **where they were assembled together**; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.*

*Acts 11:26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year **they assembled themselves with the church**, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.*

*Hebrews 10:25 Not forsaking **the assembling of ourselves together**, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.*

*Hebrews 12:23 To **the general assembly and church of the firstborn**, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,*

*James 2:2 For if there come unto **your assembly** a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;*

“Of Christians”

believers in and followers of Jesus Christ

“On the Lord’s Day”

The day of Christ’s resurrection when we regularly meet to celebrate, fellowship, and grow together in Him

“At Calvary Baptist Church, Simpsonville, South Carolina”

specific to our people, community, time and culture

“Church”

= “Lord’s Day Gathering”

“Worship”

Organized public activity of recognizing God’s worth and responding accordingly

What should we include?

What should we avoid?

Bible – Theology – Philosophy

Tradition – Culture – Preference

What Should We Include in Worship On Purpose?

Preparation

*Ecclesiastes 5:1-3 Walk prudently when you go to the house of God; and draw near to hear rather than to give the sacrifice of fools, for they do not know that they do evil. **Do not be rash with your mouth, And let not your heart utter anything hastily before God.** For God is in heaven, and you on earth; Therefore let your words be few. For a dream comes through much activity, And a fool's voice is known by his many words.*

Psalms – much thought precedes and precipitates expressions of worship

*98:1 Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! **For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.***

*101:1 I will sing of **mercy and justice**; To You, O LORD, I will sing praises.*

*150:1-2 Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty firmament! Praise Him **for His mighty acts**; Praise Him **according to His excellent greatness!***

1 Corinthians 14:15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.

Applications

How do **you** prepare for our LDG@C?

- Plan thoughtfully
- Study and rehearse prayerfully
- Walk with God personally
- Attend and participate intentionally
- Engage your body and mind proactively