

This Sacred Hour Worshipping with the Word

Be careful to follow every command I am giving you today, so that you may live and increase and may enter and possess the land the Lord promised on oath to your ancestors. ²Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the wilderness these forty years, to humble and test you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands. ³He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna, which neither you nor your ancestors had known, to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. (Deuteronomy 8:1-3)

☞ Worship (worth-ship) is to honor with extravagant love and extreme submission.
-Webster's Dictionary, 1828

"Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight," declares the Lord."(Jeremiah 9:23-24)

Know who God is: worshipping with our heads

☛ The threat of the head

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God-this is your spiritual act of worship. ²Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is-his good, pleasing and perfect will. (Romans 12:1-2)

Know God's will: worshipping with our hands

☛ The threat of the hands

LORD, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure. ⁶The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely, I have a delightful inheritance. ⁷I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me. ⁸I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. ⁹Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, ¹⁰because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your Holy One see decay. ¹¹You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand. (Psalm 16:5-11)

Know God relationally: worshipping with our hearts

☛ The threat of the heart

Corporate worship: Heads, hands, hearts together!