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# ***WORTHY OF WORSHIP: Uncommon Worship***

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We Learn to Worship by Worshipping

## **Practice the Presence of God Daily**

*“pray without ceasing,” 1 Thessalonians 5:17, ESV*

Serving God Without Experiencing His Presence Daily Leads to  
Burnout & Discouragement

## **Seek Multiple Experiences of Worship Daily**

Transform the Mundane

### **1. Begin Your Day with Intentionality**

*“This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.”  
**Psalm 118:24, ESV***

I Use My Heart:

Praise – Adoration – Thanksgiving

I Use My Head:

Meditation

If Worship Does Not Result in To Greater Personal Obedience,  
It Has Not Been Worship

### **2. Turn Complaints into Cries of Praise**

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice... do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” *Philippians 4:6–7, ESV*

### 3. Turn Suffering into Surrender

“Abba, Father,” he cried out, “everything is possible for you. Please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine.”

*Mark 14:36, NLT*

“Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.” *1 Peter 5:7, NLT*

### Prepare for Gathered Worship

“I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD.”

*Psalms 122:1, NLT*

Put Aside Distractions

Spend time in Personal Confession

Seek God’s Message

### Cultivate Holy Dependency

“I depend on God alone; I put my hope in him.” *Psalms 62:5, GNB*

“Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” *Hebrews 4:16, ESV*

Holy Dependency Means That I Am Utterly and Completely  
Dependent Upon God for Everything

Is My God Sufficient for Whatever I Am Struggling with Today?

