



Rejoice Always Ministries Institute of Praise and Worship

OBJECTIVES:

- To provide an anthology of praise and worship from the Old Testament to the New Testament
- To emphasize the dynamics of the “Latter Rain” on the New Testament Church
- To introduce the pioneers of Davidic Praise and Worship
- To develop an international vocabulary of Davidic Praise and Worship
- To foster a love of being in the Presence of the Most High God

Curriculum Description

Our curriculum is Christo-centered and focuses on the theology of Davidic Praise and Worship; the extravagant, expressive worship that occurred during the days of David. This type of worship includes singing, playing musical instruments, dancing, clapping, the lifting of hands, bowing, kneeling, lying prostrate, and other forms of praise and worship which pays homage and reverence unto our Almighty God and the Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer!

The syllabus is divided into four sessions consisting of eight weeks. Worship Theology is taught on Mondays, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Dance is taught on Tuesdays, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. The dance class will include foundational, and biblical teaching for dance. In addition, Dance theory, techniques, and body shaping will be taught.

Delivery System of Instruction

Research reveals that theologians utilize technology when they teach the millennial student. Adult learners are similar to children. John Dewey, the renowned educational philosopher, fosters the premise that “students learn by doing”. Therefore, all classes will be presented using virtual and interactive digital platforms. They include Quizlet Flashcards, Google Classroom, Edmodo, Survey Monkey, etc. Virtual field trips will be facilitated to enhance instruction.

School Calendar

- **First Session–November 9, 2020 - January 19, 2021**
- **Second Session –January 25, 2021- March 16, 2021**
- **Third Session – March 22, 2021 – May 18, 2021**
- **Fourth Session – May 25 – July 28, 2021**

All sessions will observe the holidays:

- **Thanksgiving Break – November 23, 2020 – November 28, 2020**
- **Christmas Break – December 23, 2020 – January 11, 2021**
- **Easter Week – April 4, 2021 – April 11, 2021**
- **Memorial Day – May 31, 2021**
- **Fourth of July Week**

Textbooks will be used and are aligned with each session. The purpose of this progressive and sequential arrangement is to take you deeper into God’s design for worship; from the simplest to the complex!

Psalm 42:7-8 Amplified Bible

- ⁷“Deep calls to deep at the [thundering] sound of Your waterfalls;
All Your breakers and Your waves have rolled over me.
⁸ Yet the LORD will command His lovingkindness in the daytime,
And in the night His song will be with me,
A prayer to the God of my life.”

Bob Sorge communicates in his book, *Exploring Worship*, that we should go deeper into the study of praise and worship. In order to do that we must invoke the command of God to:

2 Timothy 2:15 Authorized KJV

¹⁵“*Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*”

List of Textbooks

- First Eight Weeks

1. The Rebirth of Music and Workbook by Lamar Boschman

This book describes the origin, meaning and purpose of worship. The study guide workbook is a companion to The Rebirth of Music and is an extensive study of music in the kingdom of God. Topics include Music and Healing, Music and Angels, Music and Satan, Music and God's Presence, Music in Heaven and Which Music is correct for the Church or Christian worship.

2. Praise and Worship in Earth As It Is in Heaven by Anne Murchison

“The foundational scripture for this book is, Rev. 4: 1-11. It describes personal accounts of the authors’ growth in the revelation of Davidic Praise and Worship. The vision that the Apostle John saw of praise and worship around God’s throne in heaven is the key to understanding Davidic praise and worship and its relevance in your life.”

3. Exploring Worship A Practical Guide to Praise and Worship, 1987 by Bob Sorge

“This is a practical book that is entertaining and bursting with quality material for congregations that which are eager to learn about praise and worship. Pastors, as well as, worship leaders need to study and follow the precepts that Bob Sorge provides.” Judson Cornwall, Th.D., states in the forward, “the practical teachings will keep a congregation from extremes, and progressive in its worship”. He also relates that this book “should be required study for all who aspire to lead congregational worship. This book has an accompanying workbook.

- Second Eight Weeks

1. Exploring Worship, A Practical Guide to Praise and Worship, 2001 by Bob Sorge

This is a follow up book of Bob Sorge’s first edition. David Binion, pastor and worship leader at Dwell Church in Dallas, Texas postulates that Bob Sorge “has taken the greatest manual for praise and worship in our lifetime and made it better.” He also indicates that “in a world where the modern church movement has become so focused on the song, Bob reminds us that it’s always about the heart.” Both books contain precious gems that are timeless! This book has no workbook.

2. **RESTORING PRAISE & WORSHIP TO THE CHURCH, DR. DAVID K. BLOMGREN WITH NEW CONTENT COMPILED BY RODRIGO ZABLAH**

Forward:

“The song of the Lord is designed to carry us into the future. This book contains fresh insight and revelation that will be a tool to propel believers, worship leaders, and minstrels into the future.”

There are articles about restoring praise and worship written by great pioneers of worship and praise, and church leaders.

The authors of the articles have a desire to see the body of Christ empowered and equipped with praise and worship songs; that bring liberty and fellowship with Almighty God, and the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Our redeemer.

• **Third Eight Weeks**

1. **The Worship Leader’s Handbook, PRACTICAL ANSWERS TO TOUGH QUESTIONS** by Tom Kraeuter

Forward:

“This book attempts to answer questions and concerns that I have had as a worship leader. My experience includes worship leader, coordinator, bible college teacher, and conductor of worship seminars.”

The book is an invaluable tool for all, including pastors who aspire to lead people into the presence of our Almighty God!

2. **On Eagle’s Wings** by Rev. Dr. E. Charlotte Baker (Dec.)

Rev. Baker states in the forward of her book that “there is a deep cry within the hearts of God’s hungry people the world over, a cry to ‘know him’. Worship in its many facets and levels, we believe, is the answer to this cry.”

Dr. Baker relates that, “But the hour cometh and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the father in spirit and in truth : for the father seeketh such to worship him. (John 4:23-24) The heart – cry of the father will never be fulfilled until true worshippers are raised up in the Body of Christ!”

Her message emphasizes a “deep burden to see God’s people enter into new and glorious realms of relationship with Him”. For this purpose, she told us, “this book has been written and sincerely prayed that it will “present an open door into His presence”.

3. Prophetic Worship by Vivian Hibbert

Description:

This book is the first on the subject of prophetic worship...worship that prioritizes God's presence and His interaction with us in worship.

Fourth Eight Weeks

The Worship Pastor by Zac Hicks

Forward:

“Modern worship leaders are restless. They have inherited a model of leadership that equates leading worship with being a rock star. But leading worship is more than a performance, it's about shaping souls and making disciples. Every worship leader is really a pastor.”

“The Worship Pastor is a practical and biblical introduction to this essential pastoral role. Filled with engaging, illustrative stories it is organized to address questions of theory and practice, striving to balance conversational accessibility with informed instruction.”

Rubric for Students

- Attendance - 5 points
- Vocabulary Quizlet Flash Cards – 20 Points
- Articles – 10 Points
- Assignments – 15 Points
- Mid-Term – 15 Points
- Final Exam – 20 Points
- Final Essay – 15 Points

Special recognition and certificates will be awarded at a virtual ceremony at the end of each session and at the end of the course.

Our vision is to become an accredited school of Davidic Praise and Worship!!

Most of all, we will diligently seek to enrich and fulfill our foundational scripture:

Ephesians 4:11-16 NIV

*¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers,
¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we
all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature,
attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.*