

# HOW THEN SHALL WE LIVE?

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*"How Shall We Escape If We Neglect So Great Salvation?"*

The Bible warns not to neglect salvation but calls us to work it out with fear and trembling. This lesson will address the responsibilities of the elect of God in the areas of worship, prayer and daily living.

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## I. HOW THEN SHALL WE WORSHIP?

Too often we affiliate worship only with Sunday church attendance. Is this the limit of worship we offer unto the Lord? Should worship occur throughout daily living? Is there a physical act of worship to follow or is spiritual worship only needed?

- A. What does it mean to worship? Ps. 95:1-2, 6-7; Ps. 96:8-9 Is this something we need to consciously make ourselves do, or is this the fruit of a saved person?
- B. How does the true worshipper worship? John 4:20-24 Explain.
- C. What initiates worship? I Cor. 14:25
- D. What kind of worship does God *not* honor? Matt. 15:8-11; Ro. 1:25; Is. 2:8
- E. What kind of worship does God *honor*? John 9:31

## II. HOW THEN SHALL WE PRAY?

Too often we limit prayer time to meal time. Should this be the extent of our prayer life? Is there a formula for prayer? Should we pray God's words back to Him, and if so, how? How often *should* we pray? Why *don't* we pray as often as we should?

- A. How are we NOT to pray? Matt. 6:5-8 What should this teach us concerning our prayer in front of an audience (family, Bible Study, school, etc.)?
- B. What "manner of prayer" does the Lord's prayer provide for us to follow? Matt. 6:9-13
  - 1) 6:9 -
  - 2) 6:10 -
  - 3) 6:11 -
  - 4) 6:12 -
  - 5) 6:13 -
- C. When should we pray? Ps. 5:3; James 5:13-16; I Thes. 5:17
- D. Does God hear each person's prayer? Prov. 15:8, 29; Prov. 28:9
- E. Should we pray that God would hear our prayer? Ps. 54:2; 55:1-2; 102:1-2

## III. HOW THEN SHALL WE LIVE?

What really makes the way we live our lives different from those of false gospels? Are we guilty of being complacent in our walk of Christian daily living? Do excuses keep us from living a life that is God honoring? Is the way we live a requirement or evidence of our salvation?

- A. What should be our response toward "our enemies?" Matt. 5:44-47
- B. What should be our response toward believers? I Pet. 4:7-11; Col. 3:12-13
- C. How does the contentment stressed in I Timothy 6:6-12 play a major part in our response toward others?
- D. Is the love of God in us if we don't live this life? James 1:18-27; I John 3:17-18
- E. What kind of effort and focus will this way of life entail? Heb. 12:1-2; Phil 3:12-14

### DEFINITIONS

1. **WORSHIP**  
"PROSKUNEO" (G4352) - TO MAKE OBEISANCE TO, THE ACT OF REVERENCE TO GOD
2. **WORSHIP**  
"SHACHAH" (H7812) - TO DEPRESS, I.E. PROSTRATE; BOW DOWN, MAKE TO CROUCH, HUMBLY BESEECH, FALL DOWN FLAT; I.E. Ps. 95:6-7
3. **WORSHIP**  
"SEBOMAI" (G4576) - TO REVERE, STRESSING THE FEELING OF AWE OR DEVOTION
4. **PRAY**  
"PROSEUCHOMAI" (G4336) - TO PRAY TO GOD; I.E. SUPPLICATE, WORSHIP
5. **PRAYER**  
"TEPHILLAH" (H8605) - INTERCESSION, SUPPLICATION; BY IMPL. A HYMN



Come let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord our God our maker.  
For He is our God, and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of His hand.  
-Ps. 95:6-7 KJV

### TEXT OF THE WEEK

"AND THUS ARE THE SECRETS OF HIS HEART MADE MANIFEST; AND SO FALLING DOWN ON HIS FACE HE WILL WORSHIP GOD, AND REPORT THAT GOD IS IN YOU OF A TRUTH." - I COR. 14:25