



**Group Check: What is it like when you have not been excited about worship? If you only think about it one day of the week, what is the impact to your worship?**

Passionate Worship as a characteristic of the church focuses us on the Lord. In the last lesson, we learned that we bow down or lower ourselves in worship and lift up God. It is in this atmosphere that people meet Christ, find healing and forgiveness, become a part of the fellowship, grow, and learn to be disciples. As you study this lesson, you should end with a few steps you can take this week to activate your passionate worship daily and during the next time you are in a worship service.

**Building Towards Passionate Worship**

**Part 1: Understanding-Psalms 96:1-9**

**As a group read Psalms 96:** What can we learn from this passage about worship?

Step 1: Worship Tone

What is the tone (the feelings you perceive from the words) of Psalms 96?

What words give you these feelings? For example; “Splendor of his holiness” gives the image of beauty and royalty. It is positive and gives the idea of majesty. Therefore, we should worship God because he is royal and majestic.

- Choose a few words that give you a sense of why you should worship God.

<b>Word (words)</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Teaches me to worship God by?</b>

### My Worship Poem: Personal connection

If you were writing a psalm (poem for music) what words would you use to explain why you worship God? Take the next minute and jot down the reasons you worship God. Be specific!


Now discuss why you do not worship anything else. (This is very important) Share with your group!

### BIG QUESTIONS:

1. How does your understanding of your “why” with God impact your worship?
2. What should your Passionate Worship push you to do?
3. What steps will you take this week to build towards Passionate Worship?

### **Part 2: Unity of Worship!**

**Acts 2: 46-47** <sup>46</sup> And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

- Acts 2 teaches that worship is more than a singular event! It is a lifestyle.



How do you think people felt as they engaged with this church?

What was the result of this church's style of worship?


In what ways does your church compare to the Acts 2 church?


What can you do to help your church to become more worshipful?


**Commitment to Worship**

What are you committing to do this week to increase your Passionate Worship?
