

Spiritual Vocabulary: Worship

The term worship is used a lot in the Bible, as this is a very important part of interacting with the Lord. The term worship occurs 108 times in 102 verses in the KJV of the Bible. In contrast to that, the term worshipped occurs 70 times in 69 verses in the KJV of the Bible. Since we are led to this, let's take a look at the word **worship**:

1. (tr) to show profound religious devotion and respect to; adore or venerate (God or any person or thing considered divine)
2. (tr) to be devoted to and full of admiration for
3. (intr) to have or express feelings of profound adoration
4. (intr) to attend services for worship
5. (tr) obsolete to honour

noun

1. religious adoration or devotion
2. the formal expression of religious adoration; rites, prayers, etc
3. admiring love or devotion
4. archaic dignity or standing

let's look at **adore**:

verb

1. (tr) to love intensely or deeply
2. to worship (a god) with religious rites
3. (tr) informal to like very much

let's look at **venerate**:

verb (tr)

1. to hold in deep respect; revere
2. to honour in recognition of qualities of holiness, excellence, wisdom, etc

Let's look at **homage**:

noun

1. a public show of respect or honour towards someone or something (esp in the phrases pay or do homage to)

2. (in feudal society)

the act of respect and allegiance made by a vassal to his lord; See also fealty
something done in acknowledgment of vassalage

and Finally, let's look at **revere**:

verb

1. (tr) to be in awe of and respect deeply; venerate

So what is **worship**? Let's put all of this together:

Worship is a public show of deep respect and devotion towards someone or something that you are in awe of/have full admiration for that you show profound, intense love and honour to in recognition of the qualities of holiness, excellence and wisdom.



Here is Our Challenge to all of you:

We challenge you to go to Jesus directly **RIGHT NOW** and ask Him if what is shown here is true. Use this as a means to start a conversation with The Lord Jesus Christ and sit with Him and ask Him questions. Start with **(asking out loud):**

“Jesus, is what I just read true?”

He will answer you, Christian; use this as an opportunity to start the conversation with the Lord Jesus Christ. Keep talking with Him. Get to know Him and He will start to reveal Himself to you.

You need to find out for yourself if what you support or believe is true, and what better way to find out than to ask the Lord Himself? You need to find out for yourself and work out **YOUR** salvation for **YOU**, as the scriptures tell us to.