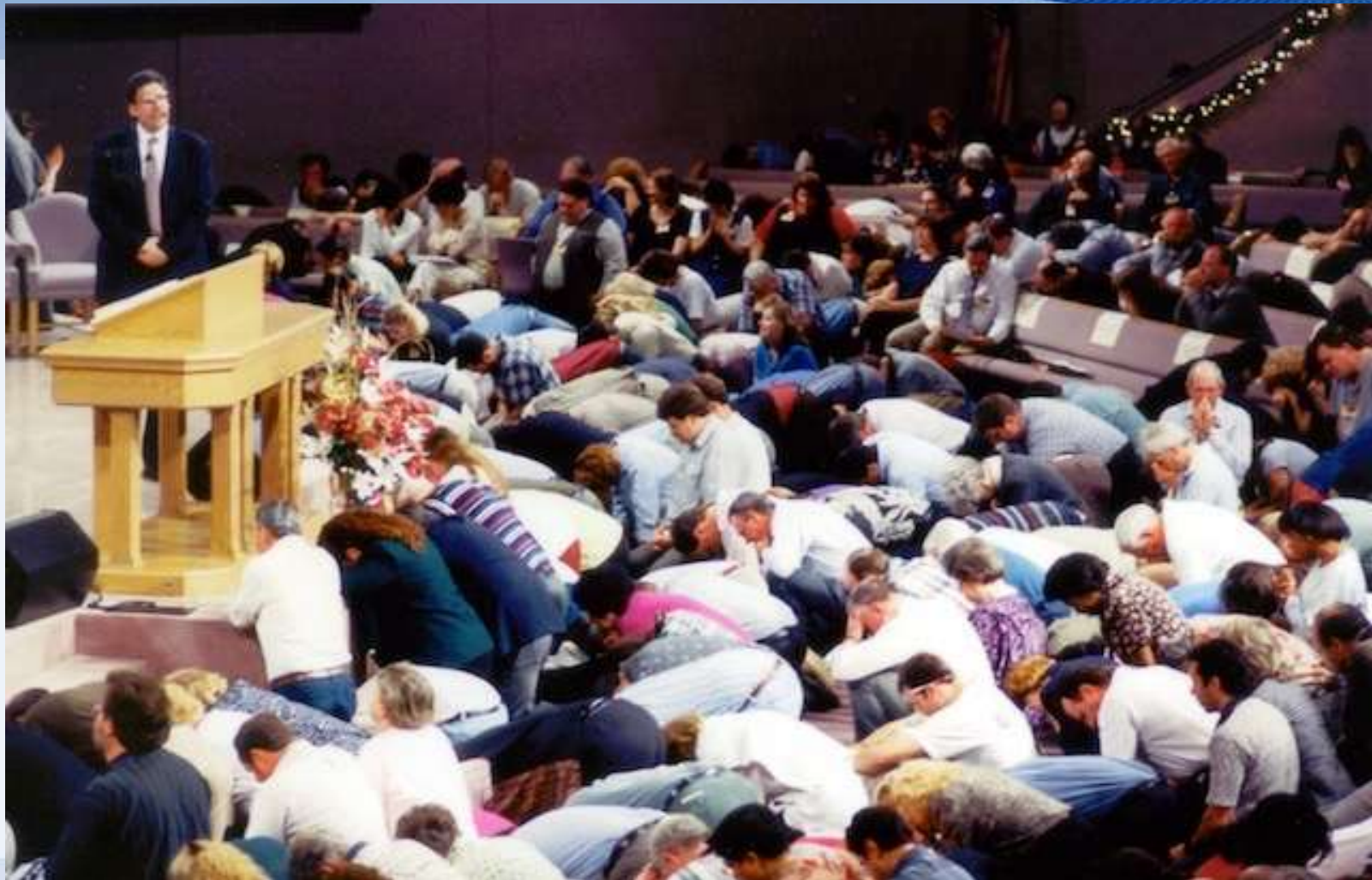




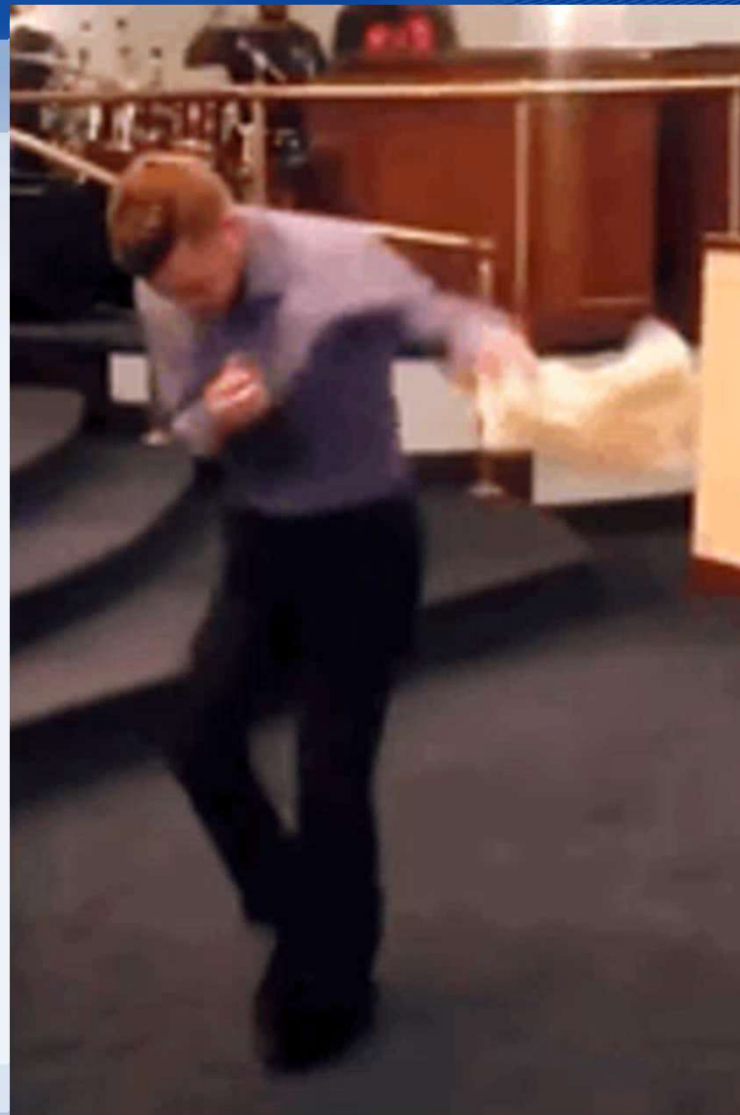
















THE ESSENCE OF WORSHIP
Or
WHEN DOES WORSHIP
BEGIN?

Deuteronomy 6:1 Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it:

Deuteronomy 6:2 That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.

Deuteronomy 6:3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.

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My goal is very modest: what is the essence of worship? When does it begin?

Personal, corporate, family, & all of life...

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1. Worship **begins** when hearing occurs!

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This is, of course, part of the first great commandment!

NO worship → who haven't heard!

NO worshippers → who haven't heard!

Romans 10:17 So then faith cometh by **hearing, and **hearing** by the word of God.**

James 1:18 Of his own will begat he us **With the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.**

James 1:19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be **swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:**

Worship **began & could only begin when you heard
the Gospel!**

Any further worship...will be...

The Shema (שְׁמַע)

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Shhhhhh... you are
mmmmm... you are
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VBC 1975: Victory in Jesus

Chapel in Bible College: Be still my soul!

Personal / individual:

Corporate:

Family:

All of life:

Psalm 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament sheweth his handywork.

Psalm 19:2 Day unto day uttereth speech, And night unto night sheweth knowledge.

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2. Worship **blooms / blossoms** when obedience follows!

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John 13:17 If ye know these things, **happy are ye if ye do them.**

Revelation 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Revelation 2:11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

Revelation 2:17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

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Revelation 3:13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 3:22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 13:9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

Psalm 46:10 Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

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3. Worship **blesse**s when promises are experienced!

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