



March 12, 2023

Discussion and Application Questions From The Message: (30 -35 Minutes)

The following were mentioned as expressions of worship in the Bible today:

This is a continuation of the message from March 5.

Using the voice to speak, praise, sing, and say amen.

Bowing

Kneeling

Clapping

Lifting of Hands

Dancing (This was seen a few times in the Old Testament and probably did not occur by the 1st century in the synagogue where Christians still gathered with Jews for prayer. There is certainly nothing to suggest the early church danced as David, and others, did)

1. Are these expressions of emotion? If so, what do you think about emotion being displayed?
 2. What role should, or could, emotion play in our times of worship? Why?
 3. If an individual decided to engage in one of these expressions (with the exception of dancing), and the motive was not self-glorification, how would you feel about it?
 4. Do we have the right to sit in judgment on how someone around us worships? Why or why not?
 5. What do you know about the hermeneutic of silence that was mentioned this morning? Have you seen this interpretive idea, "speaking where the Bible speaks and being silent where it is silent," used inconsistently? If so, give some examples.
 6. Read I. Corinthians 14:40. How have you been taught to view this passage? What is your experience with this passage?
 7. Read I Corinthians 16:26-40. Now, think about verse 40. What is the context of that verse?
 8. In your opinion, should verse 40 be used to limit, or forbid, certain things that are seen in Scripture?
 9. You answer some of the emotion questions that were asked, by groups, for Jeff to address. Here they are:
 - * When is emotion, in worship, helpful?
 - * When is it misleading?
 - * Is it a measuring stick of effective worship?
 - * Is there something more genuine about churches that express emotion?
- (Discuss the why's and why's not for the questions that it would be apply)