

A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's foot in a dark, rugged hiking boot with a thick, treaded sole. The boot is positioned on a dirt and gravel trail. In the background, a wooden cross stands on a grassy hill under a cloudy sky. The text 'The Path' is overlaid in a white, stylized font.

The
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The Path

- **Worshipping Weekly**
- **Gathering In A Group**
- **Serving On A Ministry Team**
- **Living On Mission**
- **Giving Generously**
- **Sharing Near and Far**

The Biblical Purposes of Worship:

- **Worship helps us declare the worth of God**

“Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name. Bring an offering and come before him; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.”

1 Chronicles 16:29

Worship: *to declare the worth of; to prostrate oneself before; to honor or adore; to exalt and uplift*

The Biblical Purposes of Worship:

- **Worship helps us be more like Jesus**

“Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom.”

Luke 4:16

3 Habits of Jesus

- ~Went off alone to pray
- ~Preached and taught the people
- ~Went to worship @ synagogue

The Biblical Purposes of Worship:

- **Worship puts us in the most likely place to encounter God**

“In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple.”

Isaiah 6:1

The Biblical Purposes of Worship:

- **Worship helps us start our week with the right perspective**

“On the first day of every week...”

1 Cor 16:2

The Biblical Purposes of Worship:

- **Worship keeps us from straying too far spiritually**
“Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty.”

Isaiah 6:5

~Isaiah saw God...

~Isaiah saw himself...

The People Of Worship:

- **God: The Father is the focus of worship
The Son enables worship
The Spirit empowers worship**
- **Congregation: We are the participants/"actors"**
- **World: Are witnesses (1 Cor 14:24)**

The Principles Of Worship:

- **Worship weekly unless providentially hindered**
“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another-- and all the more as you see the Day approaching”

Heb 10:25

The Principles Of Worship:

- **Rehearse all that God has done for you**

“On arriving there, they gathered the church together and reported all that God had done through them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.”

Acts 14:27

The Principles Of Worship:

- **Bring something personal and individual as an offering to God**

“What then shall we say, brothers? When you come together, everyone has a hymn, or a word of instruction...”

1Cor 14:26

Questions for Today...

- **What was your purpose in coming to worship today?**
- **What part are you “playing“ in worship?**
- **Are your worship habits healthy and biblical?**

