Part V

"Called To A True Heart of Worship In His Presence!"

Various Scriptures REVIEW Conversation

"A 'True Heart of Worship' is molded and fashioned around the 12 Double Pillars of the Worship Service. However, these Ancient Paths are all but lost to us today, in our fast paced lifestyle both during the work week, and on Sunday morning in our church worship service. Nevertheless, together we search out these ancient paths and strive to place them into our everyday lives, and our life together, over the next four weeks."

Ancient Paths & Obedience

"Thus Says the Lord: "Stand in the Ways and see, and ask for the Ancient Paths, where the Good Way Is, and Walk in Them; then you will find rest for your souls!" But they replied, "We will not walk in Them!"

Jeremiah 6:16

So, Let's Review These Ancient Paths & Their Supporting Pillars:

12 Double Pillars of the Worship Service

Worship In Song

- 1. Praise & Worship (Hymns & Psalms)
- 2. Glory & Honor (God: Father, Son, & Spirit)

Worship In the Word

- 3. Preaching & Teaching (Hermeneutics: Historical & Theological)
 - 4. Conviction & Repentance (Heart / Soul Sorrow & Salvation)
 - 5. Admonish & Rebuke (Correction & Restoration)

Worship In the Spirit

- 6. Awe & Majesty (Presence & Relationship)
 - 7. Power & Might (Authority & Strength)
- 8. Holy & Sacred (Holiness & Sanctification)

Worship In His Will

- 9. Prayer & Devotion (Conversation & Contemplation)
 - 10. Blessing & Thanksgiving (Gifts & Gratitude)

Worship In Communion

- 11. Edification & Encouragement (Instruction & Uplifting)
- 12. Fellowship & Friendship (Community & Companionship)

This Week's Investigation, Contemplation, & Implementation Will Focus On:

Worship In the Word

5. Admonish & Rebuke (Correction & Restoration)

Scriptural Roots of Admonish

(Introspection / Warn)

Noun - Object / Thing

Scriptural Roots of Admonishing

(Chastise / Rebuke)

Verb - Action / Offering

Warn: "To make one aware through counsel, exhortation, or instruction the approaching danger or evil; that it may be avoided at all costs!"

Chastise: "To disciple with the purpose of keeping or setting one on the holy, narrow, pure, & straight path / way in life!"

Scriptures On Admonish

Paul Instructs Us, "Now I myself am confident concerning you, my brethren, that you also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to <u>Admonish</u> one another." Romans 15:14

More On Admonish

See More: Nehemiah 9:26-27 (Turning Away from Sound & Truthful Teaching), Lamentations Chapter 2 (False Shepherds, Teachers, & Worship), Acts 20:27-32, Colossians 3:1-17, 1st Thessalonians Chapter 5, & 2nd Thessalonians Chapter 3

Paul Instructs Each of Us, "If then you were Raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, Sitting at the Right Hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ Who Is Our Life Appears, then You Also Will Appear with Him in Glory. Therefore, put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the Wrath of God Is Coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the Old Man with his deeds, and have put on the New Man who is Renewed in Knowledge According to the Image of Him Who Created him, where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, Barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is All and in All. Therefore, as the Elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on Love, which is the Bond of Perfection. And let the Peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in One Body; and be Thankful. Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in All Wisdom, Teaching, and Admonishing, one another in Psalms and Hymns and Spiritual Songs, Singing with Grace in your hearts to the Lord. And Whatever You Do in Word or Deed, Do All in the Name of the Lord Jesus, Giving Thanks to God the Father through Him."

Paul Instructs Each of Us, "But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the Day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, 'Peace and Safety!' then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. You are all Sons of Light and Sons of the Day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the Day be sober, putting on the Breastplate of Faith and Love, and as a Helmet the Hope of Salvation. For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain Salvation through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Therefore, Comfort each other and Edify one another, just as you also are doing. And we urge you, brethren, to recognize those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and Admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves. Now we exhort you, brethren, warn those who are unruly, comfort the fainthearted, uphold the weak, be patient with all. See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all. Rejoice Always, Pray Without Ceasing, in Everything Give Thanks; for this is the Will of God in Christ Jesus for You. Do Not Quench the Spirit. Do Not Despise Prophecies. Test All Things; Hold Fast What is Good. Abstain from Every Form of Evil. Now May the God of Peace Himself Sanctify you Completely; and May Your Whole Spirit, Soul, and Body Be Preserved Blameless ..."

... "At the Coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ. He Who Calls you Is Faithful, Who also Will Do It. Brethren, pray for us. Greet all the brethren with a holy kiss. I Charge you by the Lord that this Epistle be Read to All the Holy Brethren. The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with You. Amen."

1st Thessalonians 5:1-28

Paul Instructs Each of Us, "Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the Word of the Lord May Run Swiftly and be Glorified, just as it is with you, and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith. But the Lord is Faithful, who will establish you and guard you from the evil one. And we have Confidence in the Lord concerning you, both that you do and will do the things we command you. Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the Love of God and into the Patience of Christ. But we command you, brethren, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to follow us, for we were not disorderly among you; nor did we eat anyone's bread free of charge, but worked with labor and toil night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, not because we do not have authority, but to make ourselves an example of how you should follow us. For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat. For we hear that there are some who walk among you in a disorderly manner, not working at all, but are busybodies. Now those who are such we command and exhort through our Lord Jesus Christ that they work in quietness and eat their own bread. But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary in doing good. And if anyone does not obey Our Word in this Epistle, note that person and do not keep company with him, that he may be ashamed. Yet do not count him as an enemy, but Admonish Him as a Brother. Now may the Lord of Peace Himself Give You Peace Always in Every Way. The Lord Be With You All. The Salutation of Paul with My Own Hand, which is a Sign in Every Epistle; so I Write. The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ Be With You All. Amen."

2nd Thessalonians 3:1-18

Scriptures On Warn

In the meantime, when an innumerable multitude of people had gathered together, so that they trampled one another, Jesus began to say to His Disciples first of all, "Beware of the Leaven of the Pharisees, which is Hypocrisy. For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, nor hidden that will not be known. Therefore, whatever you have spoken in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have spoken in the ear in inner rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops. And I say to you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. But I Will Show you Whom you should Fear: Fear Him Who, after He has killed, has Power to cast into hell; yes, I say to you, Fear Him!"

More On Warn

See More: Exodus 19:21 (Seeing the Face of God Directly), Ezekiel 33:1-9 (Watchman – Pastor, Teacher, Evangelist for God to the People), Matthew 2:12 (Wise Men – Magi Divine Dream)

Ezekiel Writes to Us, Again the Word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say to them: 'When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from their territory and Make Him Their Watchman, when he sees the sword coming upon the land, if he blows the trumpet and warns the people, then whoever hears the sound of the trumpet and does not take warning, if the sword comes and takes him away, his blood shall be on his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet, but did not take warning; his blood shall be upon himself. But he who takes warning will save his life. But if the Watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, and the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at the Watchman's Hand."...

... "So you, <u>Son of man</u>: <u>I Have Made you a Watchman for the House of Israel</u>; Therefore, <u>You Shall Hear a Word from My Mouth and Warn Them for Me</u>. When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you shall surely die!' and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at <u>Your Hand</u>. Nevertheless, if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; But, <u>You Have Delivered Your Soul</u>." <u>Ezekiel 33:1-9</u>

Scriptures On Chastise

Paul Writes Us, "Therefore we also, since we are Surrounded by So Great a Cloud of Witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the Race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of Our Faith, Who for the Joy that was set before Him Endured the Cross, Despising the Shame, and Has Sat Down at the Right Hand of the Throne of God. For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin. And You Have Forgotten the Exhortation Which Speaks to You as to Sons (Daughters): 'My Son (My Daughter), Do Not Despise the Chastening of the Lord, nor be Discouraged when you are Rebuked by Him; for whom the Lord Loves He Chastens, and Scourges Every Son (Every Daughter) whom He Receives!' If you Endure Chastening, God deals with you as with Sons (Daughters); for what Son (Daughter) is there whom a Father Does Not Chasten? But if you are Without Chastening, of which All Have Become Partakers, then you are Illegitimate and Not Sons (Daughters). Furthermore, we have had human fathers who Corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in Subjection to the Father of Spirits and Live? For they indeed for a few days Chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for Our (Eternal) Profit, that we may be Partakers of His Holiness. Now no Chastening seems to be Joyful for the present, but Painful; nevertheless, afterward It Yields the Peaceable Fruit of Righteousness to those who have been Trained by It. Therefore, strengthen the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, and make Straight Paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated, but rather be healed. Pursue Peace with All People (as much as you are able), and Holiness, without which No One Will See the Lord: looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the Grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled; lest there be any fornicator or profane person like Esau, who for one morsel of food sold his birthright. For you know that afterward, when he wanted to Inherit the Blessing, he was Rejected, for he found no place for Repentance, though he sought It diligently with tears!" Hebrews 12:1-17

More On Chastise

See More: Job Chapter 33 (The Purpose of Chastening & Rebuking), [Psalm 6, Psalm 73, & Psalm 94 (In: Chastening, Discipline, Rebuking, & Reproving – Do Not Lose Heart)], Jeremiah Chapter 33 (What Appears to be our undoing, shall finally come upon our enemies for God's Plan & Will be finally Accomplished), Hosea Chapter 5 Final Judgement & Punishment Are Coming For All, Who Do Not Repent and Return to God)

Scriptural Roots of Rebuke
(Reprimand / Scold)
Noun - Object / Thing
Scriptural Roots of Rebuking
(Reproach / Reprove)
Verb - Action / Offering

(Continued Over)

Reprimand: "To formally censure, rebuke, scold, or sentence, in a private or public civil or religious gathering!"

Reproach: "To openly chide, disgrace, guilt, or shame a person for their actions, intentions, & continued unbelief or open sin!"

Paul Instructs Us, "All Scripture ¹ is given by Inspiration of God, ^a and is Profitable for Doctrine, ^b for Reproof (Rebuke), ^c for Correction (Reproach), ^d for Instruction in Righteousness (Holiness), ^e that the Man (Women) of God May Be Complete, ^f Thoroughly Equipped for Every Good Work." ^g

2nd Timothy 3:16

Scriptures On Rebuke & Reprimand

Paul Instructs Us, "Do not rebuke an older man, but exhort him as a father, younger men as brothers, older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, with all purity. Honor widows who are really widows. But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before God. Now she who is really a widow, and left alone, trusts in God and continues in supplications and prayers night and day. But she who lives in pleasure is dead while she lives. And these things command that they may be blameless. But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever. Do not let a widow under sixty years old be taken into the number, and not unless she has been the wife of one man. well reported for good works: if she has brought up children, if she has lodged strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has diligently followed every good work. But refuse the younger widows; for when they have begun to grow wanton against Christ, they desire to marry, having condemnation because they have cast off their first faith. And besides they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house, and not only idle but also gossips and busybodies, saying things which they ought not. Therefore, I desire that the younger widows marry, bear children, manage the house, give no opportunity to the adversary to speak reproachfully. For some have already turned aside after Satan. If any believing man or woman has widows, let them relieve them, and do not let the church be burdened, that it may relieve those who are really widows. Let the Elders Who Rule Well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those Who Labor in the Word and Doctrine. For the Scripture says, 'You Shall Not Muzzle an Ox While It Treads out the Grain,' and, 'The Laborer Is Worthy of His Wages.' Do Not Receive an Accusation Against an Elder Except from Two or Three Witnesses. Those who are sinning rebuke in the presence of all, that the rest also may fear. I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels that you observe these things without prejudice. doing nothing with partiality. Do not lay hands on anyone hastily, nor share in other people's sins; keep yourself pure ... Some men's sins are clearly evident, preceding them to judgment, but those of some men follow later. Likewise, the good works of some are clearly evident, and those that are otherwise cannot be hidden." 1st Timothy 5:1-22 & 24-25

Paul Instructs Us, "I Charge You therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, Who Will Judge the Living and the Dead at His Appearing and His Kingdom: Preach the Word! Be Ready In Season and Out of Season. Convince, Rebuke, Exhort, with All Longsuffering & Teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure Sound Doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will gather up for themselves Teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the Truth, and be turned aside to fables. But You Be Watchful In All Things, Endure Afflictions, Do the Work of an Evangelist, Fulfill Your Ministry. For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the Good Fight, I have Finished the Race, I Have Kept the Faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the Crown of Righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to All Who Have Loved His Appearing."

2nd Timothy 4:1-8

More On Rebuke & Reprimand

See More: Job Chapter 26 (The Counsel, Power, & Rebuke or Reprimand of God), Psalm 38 (David's Reprimand & Rebuck By God & Repentance Back to God), Psalm 104:7 (God Rebukes & Settles His Creation), Psalm 119 – All of it! (God's Law, Meditation, Reminders, Teachings, Rebuke, Reprimand, Correction, & Constant Restoration), Zechariah Chapter 3 (God's Restoration of the Fallen, to Raise Up For A Purpose & Standard, & The Rebuking of Evil), Matthew 8:23-27 (God's Authority Over All of Creation), Matthew 11:20-24 (Rebuking Evil Among the Cities & People Who Refuse to Repent), Matthew 17:14-21 & Luke 4:31-41 (Rebuking Evil, Exorcism, & Healing Afflictions & Diseases)

Scriptures On Rebuke & Reproach

Solomon Writes To Us, "My Son (My Daughter), Do Not Forget My Law, but Let Your Heart Keep My Commands; for length of days, long life, and peace they will add to You. Let Not Mercy and Truth Forsake You; Bind Them Around Your Neck, Write Them on the Tablet of Your Heart, and so find Favor and High Esteem In the Sight of God and Man. Trust in the Lord with All Your Heart, and Lean Not on Your Own Understanding; in All Your Ways Acknowledge Him, and He Shall Direct Your Paths. Do Not Be Wise in Your Own Eyes; Fear the Lord and Depart from evil. It will be Health to Your Flesh, and Strength to Your Bones. Honor the Lord with Your Possessions, and with the First Fruits of All Your Increase; So, your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine. My Son (My Daughter), Do Not Despise the Chastening of the Lord, Nor Detest His Correction (Reproach | Rebuke); for Whom the Lord Loves He Corrects (Reproachs | Rebukes), just as a Father the Son (the Daughter) in Whom He Delights."

Handout For Self-Reflection

14 "And to the Angel of the Church in Laodiceans Write, 'These Things Says (Rhema) the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the Creation of God: 15 I know your works, 1 that you are: neither cold 1a nor hot. 1b I could wish you were cold 1a or hot. 1b 16 So then, because you are lukewarm, 1c and neither cold 1a nor hot, 1b I will yomit you out of My Mouth. 17 Because you say: 'I am rich, 1d (I) have become wealthy, 1e and (I) have need of nothing', 1f and do not know that you are: wretched, 2a miserable, 2b poor, 2c blind, 2d and naked, 2e 18 I counsel you to buy from Me Gold Refined in the Fire, that you may be rich; 3c and White Garments, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; 3e and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. 3abd 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore, be zealous and repent. 20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My Voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. 21 To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My Throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His Throne. 22 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit Says (Rhema) to the Churches."

More On Reproach

See More: Psalm 74:22 (Those Who Reproach God Our Fools), Psalm 102:8 (Our Enemies Reproach Us Daily For Our Faith), Proverbs 1:20-33 (Wisdom & Truth OR Rebuke & Reproach Is Everyone's Choice), Proverbs 9:1-18 (The Way of Wisdom & Folly), Proverbs 15:1-23, Proverbs 18:1-3, Proverbs 29:15 (Raising Children), Isaiah 1:1-31 (Prophecies, Rebukes & Reproaches Against God's People's Future), Isaiah 51 (The Lord's Assurance & Comfort For Reproach in this Life), Mark 16:9-14 (Open Rebuke, Reproach, & Reproof of Lack of Faith)

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Personal Daily Question #1

"How Do I Implement Admonish Into My Daily Life?"

Personal Daily Answer #1

A) I will take the Lord's Warning to Me Concerning Current Events
With Great Sel-Alertness & Import for Others in My Life

B) I will take the Lord's Warning to Me Very Seriously Concerning My Standing with Him & with His Will, and I will Take Appropriate Action Immediately to Come into Alignment with His Word

Sunday Worship Question #1

"How Do We Implement Admonish Into Our Sunday Worship Service & Time Together?"

Sunday Worship Answer #1

A) I will Endeavor Each Week To Bring to Light All That Is Pressing Upon Us as God's Family Concerning His Word & Encourage Us All To Press On Toward Holiness of Heart, Mind, & Soul B) I will Admonish Us All Not to Become Complacent When God Our Father Chastises Us; But Encourage Us All to Undergo the Tough Work of Repentance, Reformation, & Restoration, To Truly Become God's Righteous & Ready Servants in Our Community

Personal Daily Question #2

"How Do I Implement Rebuke Into My Daily Life?"
Personal Daily Answer #2

A) I will allow God's Spirit to Rebuke, Reprimand, or Reproach Me, & Undergo Correction & Transformation

B) I will Listen to God's Spirit & Openly Rebuke, Reprimand, or Reproach Others Publicly, Who Openly Suppress God's Truth or Words, Or Those Who Openly Practice & Teach Evil & Lies in Order to Deceive Others & Keep Them Seeing God & Their Sin

Sunday Worship Question #2

"How Do We Implement Rebuke Into Our Sunday Worship Service & Time Together?"

Sunday Worship Answer #2

A) I will Continue to Use God's Word as a Source of Correction For Us All, So that False Doctrine & Teaching May Never Enter Myself as Your Pastor, & Never Stay in the Body of Christ B) I will Instruct Us as God's People into How to Effectively Use God's Word as a Source of: Doctrine, Reproof (Rebuke), Correction (Reproach), & Instruction in Righteousness (Holiness)

AFTER THE NEW YEAR WE WILL CONTINUE WITH
Part VI

"Called To A True Heart of Worship In His Presence!"

Worship In the Spirit

6. Awe & Majesty (Presence & Relationship)

NEXT WEEK

Introduction To Advent

"A New Star Appears in the Heavens, & God Becomes a Man on the Earth!"