

Part XI

“Called To A True Heart of Worship In His Presence!”

Various Scriptures

“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

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 Communion

11. **Edification** & **Encouragement** (Instruction & Uplifting)

Scriptural Roots of Edification

(Build Up / Strengthen)

Noun - Object / Thing

Scriptural Roots of Edifying

(Built Up / Supported)

Verb - Action / Offering

Edification as Strengthening

“Edification is the process of building up & strengthening one another in Christian Maturity by growing in: forgiveness, grace, knowledge, obedience, service, spiritual growth, & transformation into the image & likeness of Jesus Christ Our Lord.”

Edifying As Supporting

“Edifying is the process of building up & supporting one another in Christian Relationship by implementing accountability, exhortation, fellowship, friendship, mentoring, preaching, teaching, & words of affirmation to cause us to Progress in Holiness.”

Scriptures Concerning Edification As Strengthening

Acts 18:23-27, Romans 15:1-33, 1st Corinthians 14:1-26,
2nd Corinthians 10:1-18, & 12:11-21, & Ephesians Chapter 4.

Scriptures Concerning Edifying As Supporting

Romans 14:7-23, 1st Corinthians 8:1-13 & 10:23-33, & Ephesians Chapter 4.

A Combined Scripture Concerning Both Edification & Edifying

Paul Instructs Us, “I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the Unity of the Spirit in the Bond of Peace. There is one body and One Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism; One God and One Father of All, Who is above All, and Through All, and In You All. But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's Gift. Therefore, He says: ‘When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, and gave Gifts to men.’ Now this, ‘He ascended’, what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? He Who descended is also the One Who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might Fill All Things. And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the Edifying of the Body of Christ, till we all come to the Unity of the Faith and of the Knowledge of the Son of God, to a Perfect Man, to the measure of the Stature of the Fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but, speaking the Truth in Love, may grow up in all things into Him Who is the Head, Christ, from Whom the Whole Body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the Body for the Edifying of Itself in Love. This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind, having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the Life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But you have not so learned Christ, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the Truth is in Jesus: that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the New Man which was created according to God, in True Righteousness and Holiness. Therefore, putting away lying, ‘Let each one of you speak Truth with his neighbor,’ for we are Members of One Another. Be angry, and do not sin’: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil. Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is Good for Necessary Edification, that it may impart Grace to the Hearers. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by Whom you were Sealed for the Day of Redemption. Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.”

Ephesians Chapter 4

Scriptural Roots of Encouragement

(Uplift / Strengthen)

Noun - Object / Thing

Scriptural Roots of Encouraging

(Uphold / Supported)

Verb - Action / Offering

(Continued Over)

Encouragement as Strengthening

“Encouragement inspires courage, faith, grace, hope, perseverance, strength, & unity. We challenge, comfort, guide, & motivate one another through caring & sharing to spur one another on to our full potential in spiritual growth & maturity in Our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Encouraging as Supporting

“Encouragement was a regular practice of the Early Church’s Life Together as a Community. Where they shared everything in common, but especially words of exhortation in: faithfulness, fruitfulness, hope, joy, perseverance, strength, unity, & the promise of the Lord’s second coming.”

Scriptures Concerning Encouragement As Strengthening

Strengthened By God, Visions, & Words: [Deuteronomy 3:28](#), [1st Samuel 23:15-18](#), [2nd Kings 6:15-17](#), [Isaiah 41:1-20](#), [Haggai 2:1-9](#), [Zechariah 8:1-9](#), [Matthew 10:26-33](#), [14:22-33](#), & [17:1-8](#), [Mark 16:5-7](#), [Luke 24:36-49](#) & [Acts 23:11](#). Strengthened By God Through Obedience: [Ezra 6:22](#). Strengthened By God Words of Exhortation: [Isaiah 35:1-10](#), [Acts 13:15](#), [14:21-23](#), [15:30-34](#), [16:40](#), [20:1-3](#), & [27:21-26](#), [1st Corinthians 16:13-14](#), [Ephesians 6:10-20](#), [Colossians 2:1-15](#), [1st Thessalonians 4:13-18](#) & [5:1-11](#), [2nd Timothy 2:1-13](#) & [Titus 2:1-15](#). Strengthened By Sustenance & Lord’s Supper: [Acts 27:33-37](#). Encouraging One Another in the Lord: [1st Kings 2:1-4](#), [2nd Chronicles 15:1-7](#) & [35:1-2](#) & [Proverbs 12:25](#).

Scriptures Concerning Encouraging As Supporting

Supported By God, Vision, & Words: [Genesis 26:24](#), [2nd Samuel Chapter 22](#), [Isaiah Chapter 43](#) & [Revelation 1:17-18](#). Supported By God’s Words of Exhortation: [Exodus 14:13-14](#), [1st Kings 17:8-16](#), [Philippians 2:1-16](#), [1st Thessalonians 2:1-20](#) & [4:1-12](#), [Hebrews 6:1-20](#) & [10:19-25](#). Supported By Sustenance & Lord’s Supper: [Matthew 10:10](#). Supporting One Another in the Lord: [Daniel 11:1](#), [1st Chronicles 11:10](#) & [Romans 15:1-7](#).

A Combined Scripture Concerning Both Encouragement & Encouraging

Paul Instructs Us, *“Finally then, brethren, we Urge and Exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to Walk and to Please God; for you know what commandments we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For this is the Will of God, Your Sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in Holiness. Therefore, he who rejects this does not reject man, but God, Who has also given us His Holy Spirit. But concerning brotherly love you have no need that I should write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another; and indeed you do so toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. But we urge you, brethren, that you increase more and more; that you also aspire to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you, that you may walk properly toward those who are outside, and that you may lack nothing. But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the Word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the Coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a Shout, with the Voice of an Archangel, and with the Trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, Comfort one another with these Words!”*

[1st Thessalonians Chapter 4](#)

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Personal Daily Question #1

*“How Do I Implement **Edification** Into My Daily Life?”*

Personal Daily Answer #1

- A) I Will Spend Time Being Built Up By God By His Strength, Support, & Words in His Presence.
- B) I Will Offer Edifying Words that Strengthen & Personal Direct Support To Build Up Others in the Church & Community.

Sunday Worship Question #1

*“How Do We Implement **Edification** Into Our Sunday Worship Service & Time Together?”*

Sunday Worship Answer #1

- A) I Will Endeavor to Continually Offer Edification That Both Strengthens & Supports All of You Through the Exhortation of God’s Word to Build You Up Each Week.
- B) The Worship Team Will Focus Individually & Together on Creating Songs That Build Up, Edify, Strengthen, & Support Us in Our Walk with One Another & God.

Personal Daily Question #2

*“How Do I Implement **Encouragement** Into My Daily Life?”*

Personal Daily Answer #2

- A) I Will Spend Time Being Uplifted By God in His Strength, Support, & Words in His Presence.
- B) I Will Offer Encouraging Words that Strengthen & Personal Direct Support To Uphold Others in the Church & Community.

Sunday Worship Question #2

*“How Do We Implement **Encouragement** Into Our Sunday Worship Service & Time Together?”*

Sunday Worship Answer #2

- A) I Will Endeavor to Continually Offer Encouragement That Both Strengthens & Supports All of You Through the Exhortation of God’s Word to Uphold You Each Week.
- B) The Worship Team Will Focus Individually & Together on Creating Songs That Encourage, Strengthen, Support, & Upholds Us in Our Walk with One Another & God.

NEXT WEEK

Part XII

“Called To A True Heart of Worship In His Presence!”

Worship In Communion

- 12. **Fellowship** & **Friendship** (Community & Companionship)