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traditional or contemporary transcending the worship wars whaley focuses on the core the biblical nature of worship excellent for perplexed church leaders and laypeople

background church services today incorporate a wide variety of worship music stylistically and lyrically depending on the congregation some churches place great importance on the gospel being included in the songs while others focus more on the emotions felt during the songs while there are churches that maintain an eclectic mix of the two other churches have a significant imbalance in the worship songs they choose to sing each week matt boswell says every worship experience in its

order and content is an expression of the congregation's liturgy it communicates something about your church your doctrine and the order of your priorities 1 as the local church gathers there must be a clearer knowledge of why mankind has been created to worship as well as god's design for worship both corporately and individually the church gathers to worship vertically personally and horizontally statement of the purpose there has been much deliberation on what songs are best for worship within the church over the last few decades personal preference and not the word of god seems to motivate song selection scott connell warns that song choice should not be based upon popularity preference or pressure 2 the purpose of this research paper is to explore god's design for worship songs within the local church and provide detailed biblical guidance on worship with god scholarly wisdom the word of god and church service evaluations are the primary sources for this paper response to god through song is evident throughout scripture psalm 57 declares i will give thanks to you o lord among the peoples i will sing praises to you among the nations psalm 57 9 english standard version god's word gives believers guidance on praising god in ways that are pleasing and acceptable to him to equip the church family with worship god's way worship leaders and pastors must be diligent in telling and retelling the story of jesus christ in creative ways research questions various ways to apply these discoveries will be discussed in detail to assist the church in worshiping god on his terms specific research questions include 1 what does the bible say about worshiping god's way 2 how can the church equip their people better with more biblical worship what is working what needs to change as these questions are explored the specific focus will be lyrics of hymns and praise songs in general within the church setting a focused study on keith and kristyn getty's lives music writing and ministry is included in the biblical worship research as their music is primarily used for the recital portion of this project research and recital plans the recital will include selections from the gettys library of music and a few additional songs that fit the model of a five component worship song assessment these components include 1 a high view of god 2 jesus the gospel story 3 my story and personal reflection 4 call to respond and lastly 5 the commission the recital will follow these guidelines

worship is always a fiercely contested topic within the church throughout its history the church has divided on the grounds of what it has deemed proper christian worship should the church practice open or closed communion what is the role of the holy spirit in worship should the liturgical calendar be followed which if any instruments are allowed in worship should the congregation sing hymns or contemporary worship songs indeed if one uses a broader sense of the term worship a usage that includes all aspects of the christian life then one will find oneself asking different questions how many sacraments does the church recognize should christians practice infant baptism or believer's baptism such questions simply demonstrate the complexity of the issue that i am discussing in no way do i propose to answer all of these questions what follows is merely an exploration of christian worship finding consistencies throughout the worldwide community of god and implications for tomorrow's church in light of its mission to go and make disciples of all nations before i begin this exploration however i would like to explain both the reason for selecting this topic and the methodology used first the term worship is often overused and misunderstood within christian circles yet as a seminary graduate i am expected to lead and to guide any

congregation in worship if i do not understand the fundamentals of worship how will i be able to fulfill this expectation worship has been used in enough contexts within popular culture that it has nearly lost its meaning for example one christian might consider quiet solitude and meditation as an act of worship while another christian would consider it little more than a buddhist syncretistic influence upon christianity another christian may consider a congregation singing alongside a worship band as a time of worship while that same experience for another christian is little more than a christian concert if i am expected to lead congregations in worship then i must devote the time and effort in reflecting upon this rather complicated sensitive and ambiguous topic the second major reason for this topic of worship more specifically corporate worship grew out of my dissatisfaction with my seminary experience the intensity with which i was expected to study the bible both deterred and challenged my devotional life by this i mean that it became a struggle to mentally shift from a student of the bible to a disciple of jesus while many within the field of academia might assert that they are one and the same being a student of the bible implies that one reads scripture primarily in order to pass the next test or to write the next paper i failed to hold the word of god close to my heart during some of the more challenging experiences of seminary this temptation is strong for many seminarians and i fear that i fared worse than many in addition i failed to connect to corporate worship experiences which i found so indescribably refreshing and encouraging in college from my perspective dynamic and passionate singing was replaced with dry and dispassionate monotone liturgies my desire to experience god on sunday mornings in a very real and powerful way largely went unmet after reflecting upon my experiences i desired to know what was missing from these worship gatherings why were corporate worship experiences dissatisfying why did i and many others like me fail to connect to what many churches did on a weekly basis was it merely a personal struggle or is there a greater dynamic at work how should the church respond to a rapidly growing post christian culture in no way do i propose to write definitively on the subject nor do i anticipate that my conclusion will be imperative for all churches rather i hope that my conclusion will help direct my path in future ministry as well as provide an aid for others who notice the disconnect between the church and the emerging generations i am using the term emerging generation to describe the young adults and young professionals within north america's pop culture typically this refers to individuals between the ages 16 and 30 but is not limited to this age group what we are experiencing in our culture is not merely a generation gap but a change in how people view the world in this project emerging generation and emerging culture will be used synonymously finally a word on the methodology behind this project i will begin with a summary of biblical theology of worship as well as a survey of biblical history while highlighting concurrent themes of worship throughout both the old and new testaments furthermore i will heavily rely upon the research of others as i attempt to summarize my findings this biblical theology will be followed by a brief evaluation of church history with particular emphasis on transitions within the realm of corporate christian worship from there i will move on to a reflection and evaluation of today's corporate worship experiences the emphasis will be given to finding different cultural expressions of corporate worship i will then evaluate today's emerging generation with a particular emphasis on the primary characteristics of a postmodern culture and an appropriate contextualization of corporate christian worship for that culture the primary goal of the project is to determine a theologically appropriate response to the emerging culture's spiritual needs

in respect to corporate christian worship gatherings

ever since cain and abel god s people have been asking what is the proper way to worship god in five compelling chapters scott aniol explains that corporate worship theology and practice must be founded in the word of god there we discover that corporate worship s goal is communion with god through regular weekly covenant renewal wherein the entire congregation engages in dialogue with god in a meeting structured around the gospel toward the goal of spiritual fellowship with god through christ by the spirit

in this book matt merker shows that corporate worship is the gathering of god s people by his grace for his glory for their good and before a watching world

a presentation of the theological basis and practical suggestions for the public worship services of the church

what does it mean to worship especially in spirit and truth on worship casts a vision for the biblical principles and practices of worship pastors and leaders alike will learn what the bible teaches about worship and why it is so important to be thoughtful about its practices you ll also learn how to think practically through preparing and executing corporate worship services so that you can lead your congregation to worship wholeheartedly in spirit and truth in this companion title to on preaching and on pastoring h b charles draws from over thirty years of biblically planning and leading worship for local churches of varying denominations traditions and cultural backgrounds

this comprehensive textbook on pastoral ministry for pastors church leaders and students articulates a biblical model for shepherding god s people written by a leading psychologist and seminary professor who has served as a pastor for more than two decades the book covers twelve major areas of pastoral ministry highlights the essential work of the holy spirit and focuses on the personal and family life of the pastor it includes cross cultural perspectives of special interest in our diverse world and a foreword by john ortberg

help your church community engage with god through authentic life changing worship from dr jon duncan music and worship specialist georgia baptist convention atlanta georgia holy gatherings is an effective worship education tool that should be on the shelf of every serious worship planner leader there are plenty of theological and theoretical discourses on the subject of worship this work stands apart as it not only deals effectively with the why of worship it serves well as a how to field manual that never erodes biblical footing the result is a relevant work which will strengthen and deepen worship engagement among god s people from ron willoughby lecturer in contemporary christian studies cliff college university of manchester uk finally a clear accessible primer on worship leadership this book rescues worship leadership from the trap of performance based

crowd pleasing and the clutches of sterile worship models do yourself a favor buy this book read it highlight it put it into practice from dirce cooper international mission board southern baptist convention worship leadership training cuba beginning with a solid foundation of a biblical understanding of worship the authors offer practical steps to the designing and leading of corporate worship throughout the pathway probing questions engage the reader in the pursuit of transformative worship the combined experiences and distinct perspectives of a skillful musician worship leader and a seasoned theologian pastor have resulted in a treasure of insights that will serve worship teams as well as serious worship students around the world from graham smith director of the church music department mississippi baptist convention board what a blessing to have dr argile smith and dr michael sharp combine their many gifts from our lord which blest by the holy spirit give such synergy to this much needed book on the highest priority of the human spirit the worship of our creator god we have needed such a defining book among worshippers and worship leaders for some time here by the grace of god is a gift from him to us through these two worshippers and worship leaders from will mcraney ph d director of evangelism strategy florida baptist convention as scholars practitioners and local churchmen argile smith and michael sharp have served us well by providing a great resource to help us worship god and lead others to worship god in both spirit and truth you will be both inspired and informed by the work of their vast collective experience

the gospel of jesus christ is not one theory of the world s origin and purpose standing behind or alongside other competing viewpoints neither is it one of many components of the christian religion it is the central purpose heartbeat and jewel of the entire universe it is the power of god almighty it is the set of glasses we must wear to rightly understand all of god s word and all of god s world whether we acknowledge it or not jesus christ is the lord savior and treasure this gospel of jesus christ is god s grace for individuals and god s grace for all of creation john kuyper liberty explains from scripture that the gospel transforms how we understand and relate to god and his revelation upward theology how we understand and relate to ourselves and other christians inward theology and how we understand and relate to god s broader creation our communities our cultures and those who are not christians outward theology this monumental resource written for all people includes chapter titles like the good news of god s word gospel worship gospel joy the gospel and money the gospel centered home the gospel and work and gospel society jesus christ by his perfect life bloody cross resurrection in power and ascension into kingship is reconciling all things to himself

michael a rogers it is refreshing to see biblical theology so thoroughly integrated with practical directives for developing the worship service eternity clifford e bajema out of rayburn s rich experience as a teacher and as a preacher who has served five pastorates he gives us a book which should further liturgical interest and discussion on reformed circles all in all rayburn s book is very much worth reading calvin theological journal william f hunter will hopefully stimulate evangelicals to explore a relatively unknown aspect to the corporate life of believers journal of psychology and theology donald macleod a very ambitious survey it is a very comprehensive treatment of the worship responsibilities of the everyday parish ministry

princeton seminary bulletin garry harris a critical self analysis of the short comings in the evangelical liturgical experience it should serve as a guide to more meaningful corporate worship seminary review r o zorn a useful volume which will make ministers and their congregations more conscious of the nature and significance of public worship vox reformata laurence h stookey those evangelicals who conduct worship services which are casual and uncoordinated and who shun the riches of catholic prayer and hymnody are presented with a thoughtful challenge by a writer with impeccable evangelical credentials homiletics

this book constitutes the author's effort to provide a biblical foundation for answers to questions regarding congregational singing the present work is broader in scope than the author's smaller book volumes of praise for a vanishing god and unlike the earlier volume contains full documentation and end notes many of which pursue topics of interest that are mentioned only briefly in the text proper each chapter of this book ends with a brief list of questions to spur further study and discussion it is hoped that this book may be useful as a text for a seminary course on congregational singing a course that the author believes to be great need for the church of the twenty first century special attention is given to the issues raised in the music wars of the past fifty years

recent trends in baptist worship have revealed an interest in liturgical forms and some movement toward more thoughtful worship content and order in what has historically been a free church worship tradition the fields of liturgical theology and liturgical anthropology have produced research that indicates that there is validity to this interest and that the order of worship elements can be instructive as is the content of worship when both are oriented around the gospel's shape and truth e g the gospel of the glory of christ the worshiper is pointed to christ who is the object of faith and the facilitator of spiritual formation through the holy spirit the result is a worshiper who becomes like the one he holds in view in worship this survey of representative churches in north american baptist history ca 1650 1910 reveals that there has always been some evidence regarding the gospel's presence in baptist worship this has not always been due to deliberate thought and planning but because the gospel controls its forms where a church has held the gospel its worship has reflected that conviction where the gospel has been lost worship is at least reflective of that if not partially the precipitator these churches reflect varying degrees of gospel content and form the historical trend demonstrates that overall baptists have held the gospel often in the face of stiff opposition this grip on grace has been reflected consistently in their worship and likely is at least one of the reasons that they have continued to grow their growth is at least partially in direct correlation to their worshiping in light of the cross they have not just sung of the death burial and resurrection of jesus but they have engaged it in corporate worship and reflected the effects of this encounter with christlikeness in their daily lives of worship

imagine the ultimate worship experience what would it be like using a sound scriptural foundation bob paints a vivid picture of what corporate worship can become get a glimpse of where god is taking us there is a sweep you off your feet depth to

the river of god's delights that is more than possible it is inevitable fasten your seatbelt this book may wound a few sacred cows but it will clarify your vision for the powerful potential in corporate worship

transformational preaching theory and practice is a comprehensive textbook for the beginning student of preaching the graduate student in pulpit discourse or the seasoned preacher seeking to reclaim the pulpit for biblical preaching the book counteracts the popular teaching approach that is common today and argues that preaching must be persuasive rather than informative that the preacher is central to the act of preaching and that through the preaching event both preacher and listener together fashion the message and its meaning both theoretical and highly practical the book offers a challenging look at all aspects of the preaching ministry it contextualizes preaching in pastoral ministry and congregational worship but most significantly argues that the practice of preaching must be informed and driven by theory as such the book draws from a wide perspective of disciplines including biblical theology classical rhetoric contemporary human communication public discourse persuasion linguistics performance and orality the book's wealth of practical guidelines for every step of sermon development encourages students to apply general principles within their own contexts of ministry

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