PRAISES. CELEBRATE

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1. Praise and Celebration Brings Us Into God's Presence

Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come

before his presence with singing.

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And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever—increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

II Corinthians 3: 18

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Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

Psalms 8: 2

1. Praise and Celebration Must Be Passionate

Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Psalms 103: 1

The Lord says:

"These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught."

Isaiah 29: 13

- Praise and Celebration Must Be Passionate
- 2. Praise and Celebration Sometimes Involves Sacrifice

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.

Hebrews 13: 15

They spread a net for my feet — I was bowed down in distress...
My heart, O God, is steadfast, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and make music.
Awake, my soul! Awake, harp and lyre!
I will awaken the dawn. I will praise you,
Lord, among the nations...

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