

“Worship”

“Worship” = *sincere acknowledgement of God’s “worth,” i.e., His excellence, nature, attributes, ways*

“Acts of worship”

- Singing
- Prayer
- Lord’s Supper
- **Giving**

Giving → Worship

- **Gen 14:18-22** - “*God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth*”
- **Gen 28:20-22** - “*the LORD will be my God*”
- **Ex 25:2,8...35:4f** - “*contribution for Me*” ... “*the LORD’s contribution*”
- **Num 18** - “*My offerings*” ... given “*to the LORD*”

Giving → *Worship*

- **1Ch 29** - *“the temple is not for man, but for the LORD God”*
- **Mal 3:8-9** - *“rob God” 1:6,8,11*
- **2Co 8:1-5** - *“first gave themselves to the Lord and to us”*
- **Php 4:15-18** - *“a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God”*

“Worship” ... NOT:

- **ROTE** - *by habit without thinking*
- **SACRAMENT** - *power simply in the doing*
- **OPTIONAL** - *true believer will WANT to because he believes Christ is WORTHY*
- **CONTINGENT** - *on man ... or circumstances*

Questions ...

- Blessed if give **REGARDLESS OF HEART** as long as scriptural day?
- Give if **FEEL** like it...in the “mood”?
- **NO NEED** - plenty others give?
- **SKIP** it if out of town?
- Choose not to give, but do sing, pray, LS - these **SUBSTITUTE?**

What does OUR giving reflect
about our view of the
“worthiness” of Christ and His
work?!... *WORSHIP?*

I Ch 29:10-13