

Temple Worship:
GETTING BACK TO GOD
II Chronicles 29:20-36

What does it take to be ready for worship?

I. PREPARATION (20-24)

A. INSPIRATION (20)

1. The King's Eagerness
2. The King's Assembling
3. The King's Focus

B. PRESENTATION (21-22)

1. Animals brought (21)
2. Blood sprinkled (22)

C. CONFESSION (23)

- Associating themselves with their sin

D. PROPITIATION (24)

1. Purging the altar
2. Atoning for Israel

II. ADORATION (25-30)

A. MUSIC (25-30)

1. Instrumental music (25-27)
2. Vocal music (28, 30)

B. POSTURE (29-30)

- They demonstrated humility by bending the knee

C. ATTITUDE (29-30)

- Their mental facilities were focused on God

III. **PARTICIPATION** (31-35)

A. THE PREREQUISITE (31a)

- Consecration of self

B. THE INVITATION (31b)

1. Come near: No distance or distractions
2. Bring sacrifices: Parting with your possessions

C. THE OFFERINGS (31c-33)

1. Voluntary: Willingly brought
2. Consumed (32)
3. Consecrated (33)

D. THE LEVITES (34)

1. Gave assistance (34a)
2. Displayed devotion (34b)

E. THE SUMMARY (35)

1. People gave (35a)
2. The service of the house of the Lord was reestablished

IV. **OBSERVATION** (36)

A. THEY REJOICED

- Worship is not a drudgery

B. THEY GLORIFIED GOD

- Taking no credit for themselves

C. THEY MARVELED

- Surprised that this happened so quickly

CONCLUSION:

What does it take to get back to God?

- Preparation
- Adoration
- Participation

Are we simply in a church building or are we in a place where God is worshipped?

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