

WIRED: To Worship

1. We are WIRED for _____.

Genesis 4:1-7 (NKJV) Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, and said, "I have acquired a man from the Lord." Then she bore again, this time his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the Lord. Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the Lord respected Abel and his offering, but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. So the Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it."

- a. God wants our _____...our offerings are simply a reflection of our love for Him.
- b. God blesses us when we bring our _____, but that doesn't mean He _____ us when we don't.
- c. God wants to teach us how to _____ in our worship so we can experience the joy of pleasing Him.
- d. Don't get _____ at God or other people when you _____ with your worship, just bring your best and you too can experience the joy of pleasing God.
- e. _____ wants to overtake you, so do what you have to do to rule over it.

2. All worship centers around _____ of heart.

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (NIV) Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: "He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

- a. You and I get to choose how much we want to give to God. (Vs. 8)
- b. He gives us bread to _____ and seed to _____...don't eat your seed. (Vs. 11)
- c. You were WIRED to worship God with a spirit of _____.
 1. It must be _____ to both you and God (Vs. 7)
 2. It shows _____ for those in need (Vs. 12a)
 3. It shows your _____ to God (Vs. 12b)
 4. It causes _____ to worship God (Vs. 13)