

Is Worship Becoming Too Dull Or Routine?

Do you enjoy coming to worship on the Lord's Day? Do you look forward to gathering with the saints to sing songs of praise and remember our Lord's death in partaking of the communion? Do you leave feeling uplifted and renewed? We all should be able to answer YES to each of these questions, but I doubt we can.

Over the years, I have had opportunity to travel around and worship in a number of congregations of the Lord's people – some big; some small. Each one is different; yet each one is the same. I leave some feeling uplifted and others with a cloud of despair. So, what is the difference in the two? Could it be me?

I have heard comments over the years that our worship is too blah; that we need to be "livelier." I wonder what they mean by that. Our worship is not intended to be entertaining. Nor are we there to entertain. Worship is an expression of love that we show toward God.

Maybe it starts with the attitude that we bring into the worship. Do we enter with an attitude of anticipation and eagerness to worship? Do we offer greetings and welcome to our brethren or do we come in and plop down and wait? I remember an old preacher say one time that *"when we enter the worship, we best not enter with any grudges or ill feelings toward others. We might as well not enter in at all. We can't worship our Lord in that frame of mind."* Seems reasonable.

So, maybe in the end it comes down to attitude - ours!

Think about it.

Here's hoping you'll make the "most of your minutes" this week.

Hope to see you at Bible Study tonight.

In Christian Love,

