

**Holy Roar Series
My Worship Journey
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Opening

-New Series...

-come join us Wednesday night!!!

Introduction

-Holy Roar is a study of 7 Hebrew words that all translate as “praise” in our English Bibles.

- 1. Yadah – the hands of praise**
- 2. Halal – the celebration of praise**
- 3. Zamar – the music of praise**
- 4. Towdah – the expectation of praise**
- 5. Barak – the posture of praise**
- 6. Tehilla – the song of praise**
- 7. Shabach – the shout of praise**

-(talk about series each week and connection to Wednesday nights)

-But tonight, to launch the series, I want to share about my own person journey with Psalmic worship...

- **Expressive**
- **Participatory**
- **Band lead through instruments**
- **Prophetic**
- **Loud**

Mechanicsville Christian Center

-(talk about going to church to respect my parents but timing my arrival during the last song each week)

- They knew God in a way I didn't
- They were known by God in way didn't want...lol

-the power of visible influence

Watch someone yawn, and try not to yawn yourself. It can be impossible to resist. Even reading about yawning can make you do it. Now, a new study offers insight into why contagious yawning is such a powerful force.

Yawning when others yawn, the study suggests, is a sign of empathy and a form of social bonding. Kids don't develop this deeply rooted behavior until around age four, the study found. Kids with autism are half as likely to catch yawns. In the most severe cases, they never do.

Yawning might eventually help doctors diagnose developmental disorders. The work could also lead to a better understanding of the subtle ways that people communicate and connect. (Discovery.com)

-The Reverend Doctor Katie Hohmann, Associate Dean of Education for Valley Forge Christian College, Woodbridge Campus...she likes to say that in the modern Pentecostal Church, we are stained glassed windows for one another.

-Gathering for me every week is motivated by many things for me...but one is most certainly believing that a younger version of my lost self could be here...

-Psalm 40:3

He Sees Me

-Psalm 42:1-2

-(talk about Adam and Eve hiding)

- I was hiding...
- Shame is real...
- Worship birthed a longing to be seen by God
- That longing began to outweigh my longing for sin

-These verses became promises where they used feel like threats!

- Hebrews 4:13
- Proverbs 5:21 (reference)
- Proverbs 15:3 (reference)
- Numbers 6:24-26 (reference)

-But stepping into Psalmic worship didn't come naturally for me...

Being Conspicuous

-Personality is given to us to serve us, not rule over us! (talk about your own journey of being a naturally introverted person...)

-(joke about my early moments worshipping feeling like people were watching)

- The spot light fear
- The commentator fear
- The post service interview fear

-Psalmic Worship Includes

- **Standing Ovation** (Psalm 47:1)
- **Applause** (Psalm 47:1)
- **Dancing** (Psalm 149:3)
- **Shouting** (Psalm 132:9)
- **Lifting Hands** (Timothy 2:8)
- **Singing** (Psalm 96:1-2)
- **Quietness** (Psalm 46:10)
- **Instruments** (Psalm 150)
- **Spiritual Songs** (Eph. 5:18-19)

Being Conflicted

-(talk about advice I give at funerals, for sorrow and laughter to coexist)

-celebrative worship does not betray our sadness...

-being in step with the room...

-Acts 16:16-25

-**Psalm 103:1-2**

Being Consistent

-Psalm 40:9-11 (how often are you in the "great assembly")

-Jeremiah 6:16

-(talk about Praxis booklet)

-You cannot be spiritually healthy without spiritual practices!

-Red/Yellow/Green

-Luke 9:57-62 (making time for spiritual practices) (references)

Band

-Daniel 5:18

- **Surrender to His sovereignty**
- **Sense His majesty**
- **Know His glory**
- **Give Him honor**

-When my worship focus is on His sovereignty, majesty, glory, and honor...the style of the music has little bearing on my worship.

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