Holy Roar Series Towdah 10/22/22 Newport News

Opening

- -pray for Curtis and Sema'J
- -10/29 outreach
- -giving update...

Introduction

- -Recap...Psalmic worship
 - Expressive
 - Participatory
 - Band lead through instruments
 - Prophetic
 - Loud
- -Holy Roar is a study of 7 Hebrew words that all translate as "praise" in our English Bibles. (Jewish people saw these actual words!)
 - 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. Tehillah the song of praise (Tehillah Shouts)
 - 7. Shabach the shout of praise
- -But tonight, we focus on the expectation of praise: Towdah

-Tim Hawkins video

The Practice of Praise

-Daniel 1:3-7, 17

- Talk abut their names and how we know them
- Point out how the text differentiates some gifts/abilities
- gifts/abilities discovered in community

-Understanding the difference between God given gifts/abilities unique to our purpose vs. spiritual practices that are vital to our spiritual growth guards us from neglecting the Pathways that should be present in the life of every Christian.

-What are some spiritual practices we all should be doing? (participation)

-(show list of 12 Pathways)

-Job 23:11-12

-Not just avoiding what we shouldn't do but also doing what we must!

-Let's look at just some of these Pathways...

- 1. You might not be called to be a Bible teacher but every Christian should be a reader of Scripture!
- 2. You might not be called to be an Intercessor but every Christian should be a person of Prayer!
- 3. You might not be called to be an Evangelist but every Christian should be Reaching people with The Gospel!
- 4. You might not be called to be a Song Writer but every Christian should be lifting their voice in Worship!

-Psalm 150:1-6

The Expectation of Praise

-Towdah

>thanksgiving, a confession, a sacrifice of praise, thanksgiving for things not yet received, a choir of worshippers, an extension of the hand.

>Psalm 56:11-12

"David captured by the enemy and facing an unknown future, praised the Lord for the promise of deliverance he'd not yet received. He knew he'd be delivered, so in his imprisonment, he praised God in earnest expectation." Darren Whitehead

Expect To Be Seen

-Of all that Scripture teaches us about praise, at its heart we find the expectation of the gaze of God.

>give example of kids playing sports...

>give example of the mother of the groom...

-Psalm 73:25,28

-Psalm 42:1-2

-The great Levitical blessing...(Numbers 6:24-26)...it's all about His gaze!

May the Lord bless you and keep you,
May He make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto
you, May He lift up His countenance before you,
And give you His peace.

(point out "barak" for bless and explain meaning here)

-Genesis 3:8-10 (reference)

>Sin always pulls us away from His gaze... never stopping God from being able to see us but rather stopping us from wanting to be seen by Him!

>Ezra 9:6

-Exodos 33:18-23 (preach here...reference only)

-John 1:14 (preach here)

Band

-The Magi...can I suggest to you tonight that they didn't just travel hundreds of miles to see Jesus, the came to be seen by Him.

-what is the "distance" you need to travel right now to be seen by God?

-Hebrews 4:13, Proverbs 5:21, Proverbs 15:3...all speak to the gaze of God, but not to threaten us, this is His promise

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