

IMPOSSIBLE

The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,
 "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"
 "Hosanna in the highest!" **Matthew 21:9**

Hosanna!

הוֹשִׁיעָה - hoshi'a na

O LORD, save us; O LORD, grant us success.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. **Psalm 118:25-26**

Worship God based on who God _____

Psalm 118:1 - Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Worship God because of what God has done _____

Psalm 118:14-15 - The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous:
 The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!

Hosanna becomes a word for worship
 because we know salvation has come.

It is impossible to worship too much!

WORSHIP: _____

From the _____ to the _____

From the _____ to the _____

From the _____ to _____

FOCUS ON GOD



ENCOUNTER GROUPS

Spiritual Growth Small Groups at Emmanuel Reformed Church

Getting Started

Pick a song that can help focus your attention on God and sing it together.

How did that make you feel?

What about the message?

Review the sermon together. What stood out from the sermon? How did it inspire you? What did you learn?

Think about the categories: *sublime* to *simple*, *tent* to *temple*, and *personal* to *public*. Read **Psalm 118:14-29** again. What else do you see in the passage about worship?

This passage mentions shouting, giving thanks, entering in, and joining processions – but does not mention singing. Do a search to find other passages which mention singing and/or song in relation to worshipping God. What do you see?

In the sermon the focus was not on style, form, or instruments. Why not? What is your preference in terms of style and pattern for group worship? What is your preference and practice for personal “focused attention on the worth of God”?

What is God’s preference for worship?

Going Deeper

Read what Jesus says in **John 4:19-24**. What do you think he means by this?

What do you think this means for both you personally and our church?

Consider **Colossians 3:12-17** – where do you see worship in this passage (beyond singing)? How might this inform how we are a church together?

How about you?

What do you do in your week which helps you focus on the worth of God? Consider what you listen to, what you read, what you watch, and where you go.