

## The Lord's Present-Day Speaking

### Worship, Warfare, and Glory

This night you have made progress. You have made progress not only in My Kingdom but also against the kingdom of the enemy and the forces of darkness. Some of you, through your worship tonight, have taken back ground that the enemy had stolen from you through deception. Some of you are taking back health and healing for your bodies that were [stolen by] an attack of the enemy. Because of your worship, you have worshiped your way into that place of manifested healing, and you will see a change in your body.

As you began to worship Me, as you began to praise Me, as you began to call forth from your heart in the realm of the spirit that praise and worship opens, [you opened] a place in you that allows Me from My throne to release greater glory into you and through you. And this night as you began to worship Me, that glory was released from My very throne. It began to surge through you in this place. As it began to pour forth from you from deep within your spirit, it became like a tidal wave, and it literally pushed back demonic powers that had been sneaking their way into your presence.

The force of the glory that was released through you during your worship knocked them completely off of their feet and washed them away. They were set back very, very far. You did damage to the kingdom of the enemy this night through your worship. You were like a battalion in My army suited for battle, and your worship became, as it were, a weapon. You engaged the enemy in frontline warfare through your worship this night.

As you did, you pushed the enemy back, and nothing the enemy did could stop it, nothing! There was resistance, but it could not be stopped. Because you see, the glory that you were using as a weapon, it came from Me, and I cannot be stopped. So you represented Me this night, and you did warfare. In some cases, together, you literally pushed demonic powers out of the lives of some of the people here. There are those in your midst this night who are struggling greatly in certain areas. But you took up the standard on their behalf. And through your worship, you won victory for them. You did not know this until I spoke it to you, but this is what I observed in the Spirit.

There are so few of My churches who would even take the time to do as you have this evening. There are many churches that have taken time to sing, but there are so few who will dedicate an entire service to just worshiping Me, just praising Me. You have just begun to understand the power of worship. You are not in the full place yet, but if you will continue to worship Me, if you will continue on this path of praise and worship, the times of My Presence will become more and more intense. The times of My Presence will become more overwhelming.

As you begin to worship Me, you are going to pass from one level of My Presence to another. For you see, My Presence can be accessed in greater and greater measure through your worship and through your praise. As you do this, you are going to access levels of My Presence and My glory that you have never known existed. You don't even know how to talk about them. You don't even know how to teach about them, because you have not been there. But you will [as you] continue to worship.

Not only will those of you who truly worship Me from your heart enter into that place, but you will be able to draw others with you. Great transformation awaits you as a result of praise and worship. As you praise Me and worship Me, I am able to deposit more of My anointing into you. You see, I look for churches all over this world who will simply give Me praise and worship. They love Me; they want to serve Me, but too many of them do not see the value in just coming together to worship Me. I would have you know that you are rare. It is sad that it is this way, but you are rare. You can set an example for others as you continue to worship Me and you continue to praise. You can set an example for other churches.

There are those who become uncomfortable during this time of praise and worship. All they hear is singing. That is because their souls have been trained to respond to music, and they have not trained their hearts to open up and worship Me. But if you will press in, if you will worship Me from your heart, if you will open the doors of your heart and pour out your worship to Me, every word that crosses your lips will be coming from your heart, not just because it is the words of a song. Then you will experience more of what you are seeking from Me. You will experience My Presence beyond anything that you hoped for. You hope for much, but you see, what I have to offer goes way beyond what you can possibly imagine.

As you begin to open up and praise and worship Me from your heart, concentrating on Me from your spirit, lies that the enemy has spoken to you will become revealed, because the purity of worship will expose the darkness of his lies. And there are some of you even this night, there are lies that the enemy has spoken that are operating in your life, but you don't know it. But I tell you that for some, your worship tonight has begun a release in the realm of the Spirit to where the eyes of your understanding are going to be enlightened, and you will see those lies and how you have been pulled in and didn't even know it.

You are in the beginning stages of a kind of worship that ushers in miracles and glory. You are at the beginning stages. Many of My churches, they are not even at that point. So I speak tonight to encourage you. I speak this to you tonight to let you know that, again, I am pleased with what you have done this night. I am pleased with your worship. You do not know how you have blessed Me.

As time goes on, you will again have more evenings of this kind of worship. I say to you, it is possible to follow the pattern that was established in the Old Testament, the pattern wherein praise and worship was offered twenty-four hours a day. It can happen again, only in the Old Testament, they praised Me and worshiped Me out of their soul, but you praise Me and worship Me out of your spirit.

And I say to you this night, because of your praise and worship, it has made it possible for Me to move in this place this evening. You have heard the results. If you could see in the realm of the Spirit the way that I see, you would realize just how damaging true worship can be to the camp of the enemy. I made you more than conquerors. So rejoice this night and know that victory has been released in your worship. And as you continue to press deeper into Me and make the changes that I instructed you to make, things are waiting for you. There are some things that are going to surprise you. I already know how you are going to react, and I look forward to it. You have blessed Me this night, and I love you so very much.

## Worship's Battle Cry

What I saw in the Spirit, there were devils and they were whispering to people during the worship: "You don't want to do this. You don't feel like doing this. You're uncomfortable doing this. You don't really want to lift your hands. You don't want to enter into this worship the way that others are doing. You really don't want to do this." It was a whisper, it wasn't a shout, it was a whisper.

I saw people responding [to the whisper], particularly in the free worship; they didn't want to enter in. They were yielding over to that voice, but they didn't recognize that they were actually hearing another voice, that they were succumbing to that influence. This is why many people aren't yielding to their spirit that truly wants to worship the Lord.

One of the reasons that these devils do this is because of what worship produces in the life of a believer. The Lord says your worship is as a battle cry in the realm of the Spirit. Your worship is like a war cry and it resonates through the camp of the enemy. For when you begin to lift up your voice and you begin to praise and you begin to worship, yes, even when you begin to shout your praise and your worship unto Me, it echoes throughout the camp of the enemy as a battle cry. It brings terror to the camp of the enemy, for the enemy cannot stop a people whose heart is turned unto Me in praise and worship.

The enemy realizes that when a shout of victory goes forth, My Presence is there in the midst. And this is why he fights so hard to keep you from praising and worshiping, to keep you from lifting your hands, and to keep you from singing in the spirit and with the understanding, to keep you from raising your voice during times of worship. It's why he wants you to feel uncomfortable and self-conscious and tired, that you don't want to do this. It's why he wants to take Christians into churches that will not worship Me, for if he cannot keep them out of church, he wants to put them in churches that will not take them any further beyond their born-again experience.

So I say to you that your worship, it is powerful and it is mighty in the realm of the Spirit. That it does bring terror to the hearts of the enemy. And I say to you this day, do not give heed to those feelings, those thoughts of not wanting to do this.

Do not believe those thoughts that you are tired, that you don't need to do this. For I say unto you that there are many battles that you could avoid in your life if you would simply raise your voice and praise Me and worship Me. There are many attacks of the enemy that could have been turned back if you had just worshiped Me and praised Me and lifted up your voice and sounded that battle cry into the camp of the enemy.

But I tell you this day, if you will begin to do this, there are many things that are happening in your life, many attacks of the enemy that are going to be stopped, they are going to be turned around, and he is going to be driven out of your life and out of your circumstances if you will raise your voice and praise Me, says the Lord.