

The Year of H.O.P.E.

HEALING. OUTREACH. PRAISE & WORSHIP. EMPOWERMENT

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The Flip Side Of Praise And Worship

INTRODUCTION: "[Worship] teaches us to have grateful hearts: to thank God for the gift of life, the gift of this earth, and the gift of all people. It turns our hearts from self-seeking to a spirituality that sees the signs of true discipleship in our sharing of goods and our working for justice." - 1986 Pastoral Letter from U.S. Catholic Bishops

"What we do inside the church should influence what we do outside the church. When transformational worship doesn't lead us to do transformational work, God is not pleased. When worship fails to impact our identity and our activity, God is not pleased." –

Reginald Sharpe, Jr.

God is not pleased with our praise and worship when:

I. When we lack <u>compassion</u> for <u>social</u> issues

Amos 5:21-24 / Isaiah 1:11-17

II. When we aren't **conscious** of our **personal** inconsistencies

Psalm 24:3-5

III. When we **contaminate** worship's **biblical** integrity

Job 1:18-21 / Exodus 4:31

IV. When we fail to **comprehend** worship's **spiritual** implications

John 4:19-26

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