



Lift Your Hands

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Introduction:

- It's the most wonderful time of the year ☺
- Lesson from the Wise Men

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him."

Matthew 2:2 NLT

1. _____ of worship

- _____ to God, not just coming to _____
- _____ we _____, not just _____ we _____

2. _____ lift our hands?

- **A** _____ of praise
- _____ to God
- _____ to God
- _____ from God

O God, you are my God; I earnestly search for you. My soul thirsts for you; my whole body longs for you in this parched and weary land where there is no water. I have seen you in your sanctuary and gazed upon your power and glory. Your unfailing love is better than life itself; how I praise you! I will praise you as long as I live, lifting up my hands to you in prayer.

Psalms 63:1-4 NLT

In every place of worship, I want men to pray with holy hands lifted up to God, free from anger and controversy.

1 Timothy 2:8 NLT

So Joshua did what Moses had commanded and fought the army of Amalek. Meanwhile, Moses, Aaron, and Hur climbed to the top of a nearby hill. As long as Moses held up the staff in his hand, the Israelites had the advantage. But whenever he dropped his hand, the Amalekites gained the advantage. Moses' arms soon became so tired he could no longer hold them up. So Aaron and Hur found a stone for him to sit on. Then they stood on each side of Moses, holding up his hands. So his hands held steady until sunset. As a result, Joshua overwhelmed the army of Amalek in battle.

Exodus 17:10-13 NLT

Next Steps:

- I will worship God with my life and look for new ways to express my love to Him this Christmas season
- I commit to worship Jesus 7 days a week
- I will raise my hands in worship to express myself to God: _____
- I ask God to give me a victory: _____
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