

Worship

In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts. Isaiah 6:1-5

And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw...the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters...and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. Revelation 1:12-17a

-In these two instances, one Old Testament and one New Testament, both men had a very humble response when they saw God. Isaiah and John did not get in the flesh and dance around. They did not behave in a way that drew attention to themselves, instead, they acknowledged their sinfulness and responded in godly fear.

God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him. Psalm 89:7

For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. Isaiah 57:15

-There is no room for self in worship. Modern worship styles attempt to bring God down to man's level and they have no sense of reverence and awe. God's name is Holy and His holiness ought to be feared and respected.

Let all things be done decently and in order. I Corinthians 14:40

-In context, Paul was dealing with carnality and chaos in the church. People were doing what they wanted when they wanted with an inward focus and no sense of propriety. It not to be so in the Lord's house. There is to be decency and order in God's house and in the lives of God's people.

But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up. James 4:6-10

-God looks to the humble heart, not the heart that dances around in pride and self-gratification.