

1 Kings: Why We Need King Jesus

Leading Worship

1 Kings 8:12-21

Sunday, August 23, 2026

“Gentlemen, this is a football.”

- Vince Lombardi

Worship is...our responsibility (and privilege, and purpose!)

The temple is built → the temple is functioning → great sacrifice takes place in the temple → God responds with His presence → Solomon leads the people to respond to God’s response. That’s relationship!

Understanding Worship:

**I. Our worship involves the relational _____ of God
(1 Kings 8:12).**

“He made darkness his covering, his canopy around him, thick clouds dark with water” (Psalm 18:11).

“These words the Lord spoke to all your assembly at the mountain out of the midst of the fire, the cloud, and the thick darkness” (Deut. 5:22).

If God dwells in thick darkness:

1. We worship God as He _____.

2. There is a _____.

Embrace it. Embrace Him!

II. Our worship acknowledges the _____ of the relationship (1 Kings 8:13).

a “disposable” mentality...

“He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.” – Jim Elliott

“Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens” (Ps. 119:89).

III. Our worship that _____ God, _____ us (1 Kings 8:14-21).

God is blessed when His words and His works are spoken of, remembered, and serve as the basis of our worship.

And we too are blessed:

Now, about our desires (vss. 18-19) – another worship opportunity

Ok, Worship Leader, get busy!

1. What did you receive or learn or plan to apply that you can share with someone this week? Who might you share it with?
2. If this is your first worship experience at HHBC, let us know and tell us how we can pray for you or answer any questions. Send us a message on Facebook or e-mail at info@hhbc.org.
3. ***How much do you know about the Gospel?*** Do you have questions about Christianity or your own spiritual condition? If so, please e-mail or call Pastor Gene this week (cell: 864.616.5899 or gene@hhbc.org).
4. Join us Wednesday @ 6:30 PM for ***Refuel (Adults) and Student's & Children's ministry activities!***