

1 Chronicles 16:29

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Analysis

The dual command to 'give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name' and 'bring an offering' connects worship with sacrifice. The phrase 'glory due unto his name' (kavod shemo) acknowledges God's infinite worthiness - He deserves worship not based on what we gain but who He is. Bringing an offering demonstrates worship's costly nature; true praise involves sacrifice. The command to 'worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness' (hadrat qodesh) can mean 'in holy array' or 'in beautiful holiness,' suggesting both external reverence and internal purity. This prefigures Christ's perfect offering and calls believers to present themselves as living sacrifices.

Historical Context

Bringing offerings accompanied worship in ancient Israel's sacrificial system. David's establishment of regular sacrifices and worship (16:1-3) anticipated Solomon's temple, where morning and evening offerings would continue daily, pointing forward to Christ's once-for-all sacrifice.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. What 'offerings' - time, resources, service - is God calling you to bring as worship?
2. How does understanding God's infinite worthiness affect your enthusiasm and reverence in corporate worship?

Interlinear Text

וְהָבֵה	לְיְהוָה	כָּבוֹד	שְׁמוֹ	וְבָרַךְ	מִנְחָה	וּבֹאוּ
Give	the LORD	the glory	due unto his name	bring	an offering	and come
H3051	H3068	H3519	H8034	H5375	H4503	H935
לִפְנֵי	הַשְׁתַּחֲוֶה	לְיְהוָה	בְּהַדְבַּחְתָּ	קִדְשׁ:		
before	him worship	the LORD	in the beauty	of holiness		
H6440	H7812	H3068	H1927	H6944		

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 100:4 (Worship): Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

Isaiah 6:3 (Glory): And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Psalms 96:9 (Holy): O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

Psalms 96:6 (Parallel theme): Honour and majesty are before him: strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Psalms 29:2 (Glory): Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Psalms 95:2 (Parallel theme): Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

Psalms 72:15 (Worship): And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba: prayer also shall be made for him continually; and daily shall he be praised.

Revelation 7:12 (Glory): Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

Psalms 110:3 (Holy): Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth.

2 Chronicles 20:21 (Holy): And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever.