

Wired For Worship
“Everything Can Be Worship When It’s Done For God’s Glory”
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¹⁵ Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise--the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶ And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. **Hebrews 13:15-16 (NIV)**

1. The Fruit of Our Lips

A. The importance of roots to get fruit

⁴⁵ The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks. **Luke 6:45 (NIV)**

B. We need to be soaking our roots/hearts in God’s word so that we can continually be connected with Him

C. The fruit of our lips should be continuously...

1. Giving thanks to God
2. Proclaiming who God is

¹ I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.
Psalms 34:1 (NIV)

Questions for us to reflect on the fruit of our lips:

- Does the worship of your mouth just roll off or come from deep within, like a spring?
- As we go through our day, are our lips continuously giving thanks and proclaiming God?
- Is the fruit of our lips reflecting roots that have been soaking in God?
- Is the fruit of our lips being offered to God as our sacrifice to him?

2. The Fruit of Our Lives

¹⁶ And do not forget **to do good** and **to share with others**, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. **Hebrews 13:15-16 (NIV)**

A. To do Good

⁹ Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. ¹⁰ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.
Galatians 6:6-10 (NIV)

B. To share with others

¹⁷ If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? **1 John 3:17 (NIV)**

¹⁶ If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? ¹⁷ In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. **James 2:16-17 (NIV)**

C. Turning all that we do into worship for God

-Everything except for sin can be worship to God!

¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. **Colossians 3:17 (NIV)**

Questions for us to reflect on the fruit of our lives:

- What kind of fruit is your life producing?
- Does the fruit of your life show a deep connection to God?
- Fruit contains seeds to reproduce, is the fruit of your life reproducing Christ followers?

Going Deeper on Your Own:

1. Find a big tree, even better if it is by a stream or river. Think about the root system of that tree and read Psalm 1 there. Especially focus on verses two and three.
2. Read 1 Peter 2:4-9. How are you being built into a "spiritual house"?
3. Read Philippians 2:12-16. How does shining like a star relate to worshiping with our lives and our lips?

Questions to talk about as a family:

1. When has God given you a chance to do good and share with others?
2. What does it mean to worship God at work or school? How do you see yourself doing this or how could you do this?
3. When you look that the lives of people around you, what stand out as being the most important need? What needs to you have the biggest burden for?
4. How is God calling you to worship Him with the sacrifice of your lips and your life?
5. How can you worship God with even the most mundane chore or task at home, school, or work?

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