

IGNITING A PASSION FOR GOD THROUGH WORSHIP...

**Brad, Online**

I've spent over two decades being a slave to pornography due to an experience I had as a kid as well as an assault from a family member, but I have also grown up in the church. I've spent much of my life reading scripture and have had an excellent educational experience at Christian institutions ... but I hated God. I felt legalistically inclined to continue trying to follow God, but I felt like I was hitting myself with a book over and over and over again. Even though God's word and people surrounded me, I didn't think He cared about me.

God has been at work in me for the last few years and I want to give Him the credit, but Worship 24/7 is an incredibly important piece of my story. Through listening, God put on my heart that it was time to take out the trash, and I've been working a lot to eliminate all the lies I've believed. Worship 24/7 has helped me fill my atmosphere with a focus on Jesus and the truth of scripture. It has allowed me to open my heart to the love He has for me, and I stopped believing all the lies I've believed my whole life. My past experiences don't change the truth of who God is.

**Becki, Oregon**

I fell away from my faith after some tragedies, including a divorce and the death of my five-year-old granddaughter. It felt like I was riding an out-of-control rollercoaster. I was at ground zero because I was drinking away any life. I buried myself in alcohol. I was circling the drain, and it was very evident to everyone around me.

I don't know why, but I just woke up one day and said, "enough is enough". I decided to quit drinking and smoking and to get my life back on track—my physical health, my spiritual life, and my career.

I don't know how I found Worship 24/7, but my commute to work was about 20-30 minutes, so my day started and ended with listening to the station. God used the station, the songs, the Go Deeper moments, and the people who work for the station who have prayed with me. God spoke so directly through Worship 24/7 that it literally saved my life.

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I've learned from the people at Worship 24/7 that my life is worship, and it is life-changing. God is amazing!

GIVING IS WORSHIP- A DONOR TESTIMONY

When I first stumbled upon Worship 24/7 I was happy to find that it had no commercials. And I'm going to be honest, I used to get so agitated when the fundraisers came on. It was interrupting my time. I wouldn't listen during those times. Then the Lord really got a hold of me. I realized that my posture was, "I need this" and "I need that." My life was about me and I wasn't really walking or listening to the Lord.

My first donation stretched me in more ways than words can describe. But the Lord has taken that one step of obedience and has allowed me to see how significant faith in Him really is. Having a generous spirit to this station, church, and others who are poor has drastically changed my relationship with God as well as seeing the world through His eyes. Jesus was so selfless. He gave and gave and we as the church are supposed to follow His example. My worship is more than music now, it's the joy of giving. And I couldn't continue doing that without Worship 24/7 helping me posture my heart every day! - Cathy, Washington



MEET OUR NEW HOSTS



GAIL

Worship bypasses my brain and travels directly to my heart. Before I was a believer, I went to this Bible believing church- and I couldn't get over the worship music. It was so different than anything I had ever experienced in my entire life at my church. I remember being so stunned by the people. No smiles- just intimacy.

A woman near me... I couldn't get enough of her. I watched her -No! I stared at her every week! I wasn't trying to be rude but I had never seen anything so intimate. She was standing there deep in the worship song, hands straight in the air, eyes closed, tears streaming down her face. Her lips were moving but you couldn't hear her. Was she praying? She didn't care about anyone else in the room; she was lost in her intimacy with her Lord. I knew she had something I didn't and I wanted it. She had a personal relationship with the Lord.

Ultimately, her worship drew me to the Lord. Today, I am that woman.

COURTNEY

The most fulfilling times in my life have been moments of surrendered worship to God. I did not grow up in the church so what I first knew of worship came from an outside perspective, and my opinion was cynical. In my late-twenties Jesus broke through to my heart and I fell in love. Through this encounter my heart began to feel full in places I didn't know existed. I now call this our "eternity shaped hole" (Ecclesiastes 3:11).

As Jesus filled me, the walls of cynicism came down and my hands went up to our Heavenly Father in worship. A lifetime commitment to choosing Jesus is not easy, but through worship I find my center. When the noise of life gets too loud, I go to God through music. Worship happens in my kitchen cooking dinner, it happens at 5:00 am when the house is dark and everyone else is sleeping, and there are times when I pull into the grocery store parking lot and linger just a moment longer to finish the song that has my heart connected to God.

I have learned that it is not the place where we worship that matters, it the position of our hearts that He sees (1 Samuel 16:7). In my tendency to over focus on myself these moments of worship remind of who I have chosen to live for. Life and worship are all about Him.

"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God." Ephesians 3:16-19 NIV

