Worship

Ephesians 1:2-14

I. Thoughts from our text
   A. Praise and thanks flow naturally from the heart that has r_ _ _ _ _ _ _ a revelation of T_ _ _ _
   B. Worship is the appropriate r_ _ _ _ _ _ _ to revelation
   C. The more we ponder what God has revealed, the more we will be stirred to worship and praise
      i. Our P_ _ _ _ _ _ _ v3-4, 6-7
      ii. God's P_ _ _ v5, 8-10
      iii. Our P_ _ _ _ _ _ v11
      iv. Our P_ _ _ _ _ v13-14

II. Definition

III. Examples
   A. Genesis 22
      i. Worship is based on a revelation from God
      ii. Worship is conditioned by faith in and obedience to that Divine revelation
      iii. Worship involves a costly presentation to God
         1. Worship and service are linked
            a. Deuteronomy 4:19; 8:19; 11:16; 30:17; 1 Kings 9:6; 2 Chronicles 7:19; Jeremiah 13:10; Jeremiah 25:6; Joshua 5:14;
            b. Surrender and service: Matthew 4:9; Luke 4:7; Matthew 4:10; Luke 4:8
         2. Worship and giving are linked
            a. Deuteronomy 26:10
            b. Matthew 2:2
         3. Worship and sacrifice are linked – 1 Samuel 1:3
      iv. Worship necessitates a deliberate separation to God
      v. Worship requires that we renounce self
      vi. Worship glorifies God
      vii. Worship results in blessing to the worshipper
   B. Matthew 2
      i. Who they were - Wise
      ii. What they did
         1. R_ _ _ _ _ _ _
         2. R_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
         3. R_ _ _ _ _ _ _
      iii. Why they did it – they were led of God
   C. Song of Solomon 2:14
      i. Description of the believer
      ii. Desire of the Beloved
         1. See thy countenance
         2. Hear thy voice

IV. Conclusion: two easy to remember definitions
   A. Recognizing who God is and giving Him what He wants.
   B. Receiving Truth and responding to that Truth.