

In His Shadow Creations

Advancing God's Kingdom through the Worship Arts



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Significance of Flags in Worship

Many people have yet to understand the significance of flags in worship.

Some people see flags as showy, unnecessary or as distractions. They do not understand that flags can be an instrument of worship, even as our voices or a piano or a guitar or other instruments of worship.

How Flags Affect Our Environment and Atmosphere

Colors – Colors affect the atmosphere; they impact our moods, they influence our lives and they change our environments. Colors come from light. The Bible states in 1 John 1:5b “...*that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all.*”

Movement – Anything that moves is changing the atmosphere. Movement causes air molecules to change in their patterns. Movement disrupts existing waves in the atmosphere and causes new waves and new patterns.

Sound – flags make sound and that sound affects our environment by changing sound waves and patterns in the air.

Flags as Art – Flags are sculpture; they are also kinetic sculpture, which means sculpture that is moving. Flags are also interactive sculpture; when a flag waves it has its own dance; then it can also join with the dance of the person. In this way, the worshipper and the flag can be like partners in the dance.

Flags as Agents of Change

- ◆ Flags have color (which is light), movement and sound.
- ◆ They are also an art form and can be paired with other art forms such as music in praise to God.
 - Visual art
 - Performing art
- ◆ We are each, as believers, called to be agents of change in this world
- ◆ We are called to influence our environments
- ◆ We are called to change the atmosphere.

We are called as ministers of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:19 - that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. (ESV)

Expressing passionate worship through the arts.

Flags in Warfare

- We must remember that Satan is the Prince of the power of the air.
- The spirit realm is in the air
- Even the Holy Spirit is called the wind and the breath of God. When God breathed into Adam the breath of life, He was breathing into him Spirit live, the breath of God (Ruach HaKodesh).
- As worshippers we can use flags to usher the Kingdom of God into our earthly realm, even breaking through the enemy's territory in the air, to create an area of open heavens.

Extravagant Worship

When the Father sent His son, He did not hold anything back; He gave us His best, the most and the greatest when He gave us His Son.

- He expressed to us the fullest extent of His love when He sent His Son Jesus.
- The Father held nothing back. He has given to us lavishly, generously, because He has loved us extravagantly.

We are told to love the Lord our God with all our mind, with all our soul and with all our strength.

What does this command mean except we are to love our Father extravagantly? Because the father loved us extravagantly, He gave to us extravagantly even to laying down His own life.

Now it is for us to love the father extravagantly, and to worship Him extravagantly, with the fullest expression of love, even the laying down of our very lives for Him, as living sacrifices.

Worshipping through the arts is one of the ways we can love the Father extravagantly, for He is worthy of extravagant worship!