

WORSHIP, WARFARE AND VICTORY

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Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up you everlasting doors; and the King of Glory will come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle
Lift up your heads, O you gates, even lift them up you everlasting doors; and the King of glory will come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord of Hosts, (armies), He is the King of Glory. Ps 24:7-9.

We lift up our heads to praise the Lord, and worship Him. The gates for the Lord to come in through, are gates of praise, thanks, worship, singing, rejoicing in God, faith confession of His Word and obedience to His Will, Ps 22:3.

To focus our worship and praise, consider the Gospels.

The four Gospels show us the **four main faces of Christ**. (“What the Bible is All About” – Henrietta Mears.)

He is all LOVE, mercy, kindness, humility and servanthood. – Mark’s Gospel – the Ox – the Servant/Helper.

He is all TRUTH, revelation, wisdom and knowledge and understanding. - Luke’s Gospel – the Man – He knows us – His Humanity.

He is all AUTHORITY and POWER, rule and reign, strength and power. Matthew’s Gospel – the Lion – He is above and over all.

He is all RIGHTEOUSNESS and JUSTICE, holiness and purity. – John’s Gospel – the Eagle – the Divine Son Of God.

[Refer to Pastors’ Notes 223, 108, for more detail]

Jesus reveals God to us; *Jn 1:14, Col 2:9, Jn 14:9,10* in these four major ways.

The four cherubims reflect these four major attributes of Christ, and lead us to worship Him, *Rev 4:7-11, 5:8-14*. As we believe in Christ, worship and obey Him, **we are changed into the same image**, *2Cor 3:18, Rom 8:29, Gal 3:27, Col 2:10, Col 1:27, Col 3:10*.

The chart helps us to worship, glorify and magnify the Lord. As we do **the gates are lifted up and the Lord comes in**. When He comes in, **He defeats our enemies and gives to us His Victory**. *2Chr 20:15,22, Ac 16:25-34, Ex 14:13,14, 1Sam 17:45-47*.

Inside the box are the attributes of God Himself, that are not transferred to us when we believe in Christ. The attributes outside the box are transferred to us as Christ comes and lives in us, *Gal 2:20*.

The Character of Christ – Worship Him

