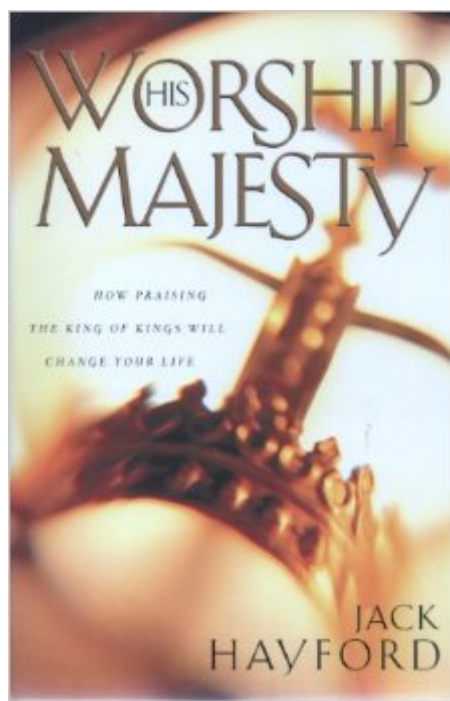


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# Worship His Majesty



## Synopsis

The Father certainly doesn't need our praise, yet He prescribes worship as a daily activity. Why? Pastor Jack Hayford shows that God graces His people with worship as a gift, not a demand. Worship liberates God's people to discover genuine wholeness only as they recognize and acknowledge the holiness of God. In this classic work, Hayford examines the lives of more than a dozen biblical figures to describe the fulfilling effects of worship, including seven truths Jesus revealed about the blessings of praise. God's grace fills everything He gives and calls us to do, and this grace overflows in a special way on those who humbly and wholeheartedly worship God. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## Customer Reviews

First off, I must admit that I enjoy reading Jack Hayford's books. He takes a very common sense approach to the Bible, Christianity, and faith. I think that he does a better job than most other pastors of giving practical insight into Christian concepts. In this book, his focus is worship and how it can change our lives. I enjoyed this book the most because it is a no nonsense explanation of worship. Basically, Dr. Hayford is hoping that this book will help start a reformation of worship in today's Church. Throughout the book, he tries to confront many traditional notions about worship, and its role for the believer, and the Church. In some ways, this book may challenge you, especially if you come from a very traditional denomination. I know that in my case it has made me take a hard look at my role in daily worship, and during church services. Dr. Hayford's basic premise is that

biblically based worship is the vital key to the success of any church. He goes into great detail about what worship is, and is not. Various topics he discusses include musical worship (songs), prayer, communion, and tithing. He uses various examples from the Bible (Abraham, David, Samuel, Peter, and Paul) to illustrate many of his points. Also, he tries to clarify misconceptions about worship that many believers (including myself) may have. For instance, he explains why worship is actually designed for our benefit, and not God's. I highly recommend this book for anyone wanting to find out more about worship, and how it can impact your walk with God. I think that you will find this book stimulating, and cause you to examine your own worship practices and effectiveness.

This book is great! I wonder why no one has written a review, after the time this book has spent in the market. The book took its theme from the famous song "Majesty", composed by the author himself, and tells about how worship is a two-way interaction between God and men. God is worthy of our worship, of course, but worship is not only meant for Him. God has made worship a way men can receive the blessings and fullness of life from God. The author took several significant examples from the bible, like the lives of Abraham, Moses, and David, and showed how worship had brought them to receive God's promises in their lives, despite their "humane" errors and limitations. This book should be read by everyone who desired to know God more, and learns how he works in the lives of men through their worship. Hey, there's a whole lot of things we don't understand about worship. This book will shed some light to that. Praise God!!

Years ago our church purchased this hymnal and we need to replace some of them that are beginning to wear out. I am the choir/worship director and this is the best hymnal I have ever used. I was so sad to discover it is now out of print. I don't know where we will ever find a replacement for this one. I wish the Gaithers would republish. This has all the old familiar hymns and the Gaither music we all love.

Pastor Jack's practical, down-to-earth, and up-to-Heaven approach was refreshingly helpful and balanced. His understanding of the importance of traditional church music as well as modern music is balanced, fair, and helpful. Pastor Jack's experience as a musician and pastor are inspiring. I found the humility and honesty portrayed in this book equally inspiring and hope to genuinely model and teach the importance of living a life of worship. Pastoral leaders must be informed about the philosophy of worship if they are to properly lead. This book certainly serves its purpose of helping pastors and students to develop a biblical philosophy of worship. Paul Heier, author of *Leading Out*

of Love

This review is of the navy-blue (hardbound) pew hymnal called **WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY**, edited by Fred Bock, (c) 1987 by Gaither Music Company, ISBN G-941565-00-9. It's now over 25 years old, but believe me there are plenty of people who wish the Gaither Co. had kept it in print. In many respects it set the pattern for nondenominational hymnals to come, with bible verses subcaptioning the names of hymns and frequent spoken worship elements mixed in with those hymns (bringing the actual number of hymns down to about 550). It has an excellent mixture of traditional hymns, gospel hymns, and modern hymns and praise music. Hymn no. 1 in the book, echoing its title, is Jack Hayford's "Majesty," followed by two far more traditional hymns, "Come Thou Almighty King" and "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Other selections in this very versatile hymnal include "I'll Fly Away," "He Touched Me," "Let All Things Now Living," "Let's Just Praise the Lord," "It's Beginning to Rain" (Yes, there are a great many Gaither songs here), "His Eye Is On the Sparrow," "If That Isn't Love," "Wonderful Words of Life," "Bind Us Together," "Because He Lives," "Fill My Cup, Lord," "Children of the Heavenly Father," and "Holy Ground." Personally, I missed "Here I Am, Lord," "Hail Thee, Festival Day," and "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life," but you can't have everything. **WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY** indeed, in my opinion, so closely approximated perfection (at least at the time of its compilation) that it still ranks among the very best. Good used copies of **WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY** are usually expensive and understandably so, because few owners want to give this treasure up. If the Gaithers don't intend to bring out a new edition of this work, I wonder which of today's nondenominational hymnals they'd recommend? **WORSHIP & REJOICE**, **CHRISTIAN LIFE**, **CELEBRATING GRACE??** All fine hymnals but they haven't yet acquired the lustre of **WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY**.

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