

SERMON SERIES
UNITING IN WORSHIP
“WHOLEHEARTED WORSHIP”

1 Corinthians 14:13-25

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I. Wholehearted worship uses your spirit & mind (vv. 13-19).

“one who speaks in a tongue should prayer that he may interpret”

“If I prayer in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful.”

“I will pray ... sing praise with my spirit ... with my mind also.”

“For there is no fellowship in prayer, unless when all with one mind unite in the same desires.”

-John Calvin

II. Wholehearted worship listens to the Lord (vv. 20-22).

“Do not be children in your thinking.”

“Be infants in evil.”

“but in your thinking be mature”

“Tongues are a sign ... for unbelievers”

“prophecy (is a sign) ... for believers”

Deuteronomy 28:49-50

Matthew 10:16

Acts 2:12, 14

“Our God is a thinking, speaking God; and if we will know him, we must learn to think his thoughts after him.”

-D.A. Carson

III. Wholehearted worship reveals the secrets of the heart (vv. 23-25).

“Therefore” again: when the “outsider or unbeliever”

“all speak in tongues ...will they not say you are out of your minds?”

“if all prophesy ... he is convicted”

“called to account ... the secrets of the heart are disclosed”.

Addresses mind → “falling on his face, he will worship God”:
evangelism → exalting

Christ fulfills Isaiah 56 & Zechariah 8 → Christ sends Spirit Acts 1 & Romans 10

Isaiah 56:6-7
Zechariah 8:10
John 16:8
Acts 1:8; 2:37
Romans 10:17

“Perhaps in our domestication of the Spirit we have also settled for a ‘safer’ expression of worship, one in which very few are ever led to exclaim that ‘Surely God is among you.’”

-Gordon Fee