Step One: Observation

If you come up to me on a Sunday morning, tell me it's your first Sunday at our church and you want to join our worship team, you're not getting a "yes" from me. You're getting a "Well, the timing's not great for us right now, we'd love to talk in a few weeks or maybe a couple of months…" I (and others on our team) need to observe that you are committed to a few things – Sunday morning attendance, the singing/worship portion of our service as well as developing relationships with others in our congregation.

If you aren't regularly attending our church on Sunday morning, you're not joining our worship team. This doesn't mean we require an every Sunday attendance (I know churches who do) but if you don't believe in the priority of Sunday morning, why would you be placed in a position of leadership during that time?

Also, if you come on Sunday morning but are disengaged, disinterested and not singing during the music/worship time, you're not joining our worship team.

Part of our role as worship leaders is to inspire worship in others and part of that inspiration is physical – what we do with our faces, our hands, our bodies while we are worshipping communicates our love for the Lord. (This doesn't mean we're mechanical or forced or smile because we have to – we clap our hands because Scripture describes that as a way of worship, because it encourages the congregation to do

the same, because it shows that we are engaged in the singing beyond simply the words coming out of our mouths.)

So the first stage of our process is simple observation. I (and others on our team) want to see that you are committed to our church, committed to Sunday morning, committed to worship – all as an outflow of your commitment to Christ.



Some questions for you to think about and discuss:

1. What is the minimum requirement at your church for someone to join the worship team?

2. If I were to observe you on a Sunday when you are not part of the worship team but part of the congregation, what would I see?

3. How does our physical participation in worship inspire others to worship Jesus passionately?

