

## The Altars of Abraham

CCSG Altars – Times/Place of remembrance

Christmas Outreach Recap

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\* Confirmation for this song – Came to church – Worship team – Come to the Altar...

### 1. First Altar – When God Saves Us!

**Genesis 8:18–20 (NKJV)** — **18** So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. **19** Every animal, every creeping thing, every bird, and whatever creeps on the earth, according to their families, went out of the ark. **20** Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

\* **That day when God saves us! When we realize we saved! Or because we are saved!**

\* **Not “knowing” God -**

**Mark 1:23–24 - 23** Now there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, **24** saying, “Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!”

**Mark 5:7 -** And he cried out with a loud voice and said, “What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me.”

\* **It's Believing in God, His Promise of Forgiveness/Cleansing, Accepting/Gift**

### 2. When God gives us something or a promise that we don't deserve!

**Genesis 12:1–7** -Now the LORD had said to Abram: “Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you. **2** I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. **3** I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” **4** So Abram departed as the LORD had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. **5** Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan. **6** Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites were then in the land. **7** Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your descendants I will give this land.” And there he built an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

**Luke 17:17–19 -** So Jesus answered and said, “Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? **18** Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?” **19** And He said to him, “Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well.”

\* **Encourage us to use end/one year, beginning/New Year to take/time & to thank God!**

### 3. To call upon the name of the Lord

**Genesis 12:8–9** -And he moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD. **9** So Abram journeyed, going on still toward the South.

**Acts 3:1 -** Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour.

\* **Establish a regular place and time to spend with the Lord, to call upon His name!**

### 4. When God gets out of a mess we got ourselves into!

**Genesis 13:1–4** -Then Abram went up from Egypt, he and his wife and all that he had, and Lot with him, to the South. **2** Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver, and in gold. **3** And he went on his journey from the South as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, **4** to the place of the altar which he had made there at first. And there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

## 5. Where God calls you to put down roots!!!

**Genesis 13:14–18** - And the LORD said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him: “Lift your eyes now and look from the place where you are—northward, southward, eastward, and westward; **15** for all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever. **16** And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if a man could number the dust of the earth, then your descendants also could be numbered. **17** Arise, walk in the land through its length and its width, for I give it to you.” **18** Then Abram moved his tent, and went and dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and built an altar there to the LORD.

## 6. When we truly Surrender/Lives, Crucify/Flesh! Believe in God/only He raises/dead!

**Genesis 22:9–12** - Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. 10 And Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. **11** But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” So he said, “Here I am.” **12** And He said, “Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me.”

**Luke 9:23–24** - Then He said to them all, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. **24** For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it.

## 7. Last Alar is for Communion – In Remembrance of Him

**Hebrews 13:10–15** - We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. **11** For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. **12** Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. **13** Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. **14** For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. **15** Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.

**1 Corinthians 11:23–26** For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; **24** and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” **25** In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” **26** For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes.