

ALTARS

Psalm 139:23-24 NIV – Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

First Great Awakening – Edwards and Finney

The word heart has over 1,000 references in the Bible.

A theology of altars – what are they?

Altars:
Memorializing Theophany
Offering Sacrifices (For Sin And Of Praise)

Pagan Altars & Idolatry

Ezekiel 14:3 NIV – “Son of man, these men have set up idols in their hearts and put wicked stumbling blocks before their faces. Should I let them inquire of me at all?

Idols of the heart become altars of the heart.

Our heart desire + sacrifice & offering towards that desire = worship.

Jeremiah 2:11-13 NIV

Jesus, Sacrifice/Offering Once For All.

Hebrews 10:9-18 NIV

1 Peter 2:4-5 NIV

Hebrews 13:15-16 NIV – Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. 16 And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

The Altar Of The Heart

“Life must be organized by the heart if it is to be organized at all. It can be pulled together only from the inside. That is the function of the heart, spirit, or will: to organize our life as a whole, and, indeed, to organize it around God. A great part of the disaster of contemporary life lies in the fact that it is organized around our human feelings, not around God.” – Dallas Willard

A Wicked Heart – A Divided Heart - A Hardened Heart – An Unbelieving Heart

Hebrews 3:12 NIV – See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has ~~www~~ sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God.
Power – Money – Ambition – Beauty – Love – Approval

“When God rebuked the Israelites for their idolatry, he was not condemning their urge to worship. Nor did he disapprove of the ~~more immediate~~ urges that pushed them toward idols: a desire for fertility, for good weather, for military success. Rather, he condemned them for seeking those things from senseless hunks of wood and iron instead of from himself.” – Phillip Yancey

A Repentant Heart – Psalm 51:10-12

A New Heart

1 Samuel 16:7 NIV – But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

Those who shape the future live surrendered to the Father. They don't seek influence. They walk in obedience. They are not the movers and shakers. They are the moved and the shaken. And they spend their days building altars, not platforms.

WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

GATHER

Sundays in September - 9a + 11a - Meeting Places

Throughout history, God has chosen to meet with His people in different places. It is remarkable to track the journey of God's own self-disclosure. In this series, we will take a look at the altar, the tabernacle, the temple, and the church. What happens when God's presence is revealed to His people? The reality is that God can move in our day as well with such radical power that the things many of us believe are lost can be renewed, revived, and reformed.

GIVE

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

GO

Be on the lookout in upcoming weeks for more opportunities to serve our community!

GROW

*Thursday, September 8
7p - 9p Night Two of our Fall Semester of Growth Phases*

You can still join us for our fall semester of Growth Phases. Get signed up today at the Next Steps table. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

Sunday, September 11

5p - 8p Welcome to DP Party

Interested in becoming a member of Dwelling Place Church? Join us for our Welcome to DP Party. This is an opportunity to enjoy a meal while connecting with others, learn about the mission, vision, and anchor values of DP, as well as ask any questions you may have. Childcare is provided. Sign up to join us at the Next Steps table today!

GROUP

*Sunday, September 4 + 18 -
Connect Group Night*

Connect groups will meet all over the area today. If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.

*Saturday, September 17 -
6p - 8:30p - Game Night*

Join us for some game night fun at DP! We will have plenty of choices of games for those 18 years and older. Come prepared to meet new people and get to know those you might not know well.