

WHY WE WORSHIP PART 2



Soli Deo Gloria

"For the Glory of God Alone"

Q: What is the chief end of man?

A: Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.

-Westminster Shorter Catechism



Worship is an Act of Obedience to the Law

The First Four Commandments Focus on Worship:

1. “I the Lord am your God... you shall have no other gods before me.”
2. “You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them.”



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The First Four Commandments Focus on Worship:

3. “You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God”

4. “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy”



Worship is the tangible expression and
declaration that God deserves all the glory!



Worship is the Biblical Way to Approach God

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. **Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;** give thanks to him and praise his name.

Psalms 100:1-4



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Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter
and give thanks to the Lord.

Psalms 118:19



Worship Brings Victory in Battle

David, together with the commanders of the army, set apart some of the sons of Asaph, Heman and Jeduthun **for the ministry of prophesying, accompanied by harps, lyres and cymbals.** Here is the list of the men who performed this service: From the sons of Asaph: Zakkur, Joseph, Nethaniah and Asarelah.

1 Chronicles 25:1-3



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The sons of Asaph were under the supervision of Asaph, who prophesied under the king's supervision. As for Jeduthun, from his sons: Gedaliah, Zeri, Jeshaiiah, Shimei, Hashabiah and Mattithiah, six in all, under the supervision of their father Jeduthun, **who prophesied, using the harp in thanking and praising the Lord.**

1 Chronicles 25:1-3



Worship is What the Father Seeks

Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.

John 4:24



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“Worship is not a mere act of willpower by which we perform outward acts. Without the engagement of the heart, we do not really worship. The engagement of the heart is the coming alive of the feelings and the emotions and affections of the heart. Where feeling for God is dead, worship is dead.”

—John Piper, *Desiring God*



Worship is What the Father Seeks

“Some groups are proud that they worship God with their heads. Other groups are proud that they worship God with their hearts. Both are important but a dual affection is a mighty affection.”

—John Piper

