

FIVE REASONS TO WORSHIP GOD

WORSHIP (Greek –pros-koo-neh-o') To kiss like a dog licking his master's hand, to prostrate oneself in homage, to adore. (From the word PROS, meaning *forward or toward, nearness, motion toward*.)

PRAISE (Webster) – To commend, to glorify, attribute protection, exhalt.

(1) WORSHIP IS A COMMAND

Rom. 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service (Greek – WORSHIP). **SERVICE** (Greek – lat-ri'-ah)) Worship, minister to God, homage.

Rom. 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Psa. 29:2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Ex. 34:14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name *is* Jealous, *is* a jealous God.

Psa. 100:4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, *and* into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, *and* bless his name.

(2) WORSHIP IS MAN'S HIGHEST SERVICE TO GOD

Matt. 4:9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

Matt. 4:10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

Rev. 5:11 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; Rev. 5:12 Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Rev. 7:9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

Rev. 7:10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. Rev. 7:11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and *about* the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God.

(3) GOD IS SEEKING WORSHIPERS

Psa. 69:30 I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.

Psa. 69:31 This also shall please the LORD better than an ox *or* bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

John 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

John 4:24 God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

1Chr. 9:33 And these *are* the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, *who remaining* in the chambers *were* free: for they were employed in that work day and night.

Neh. 7:44 The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight.

Zech. 14:16 And it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

(4) WORSHIP BRINGS BREAKTHROUGH !

Psa. 30:11 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness; Psa. 30:12 To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

Psa. 6:5 For in death *there is* no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?

Dan. 3:17 If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver *us* out of thine hand, O king.

Dan. 3:18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

INCENSE (Heb. – kaw-tar') Fumigation, the idea of driving out the occupants, worship.

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Psa. 50:14 Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High:

Psa. 50:15 And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

(5) WORSHIP DEVELOPS INTIMACY

2Cor. 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

2Cor. 4:1 Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not.

Is. 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.

WORSHIP GOD

COME TO GOD CLEAN (Ps 24:3-4)

BELIEVE AND ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S PRESENCE (Heb 13:5)

DECLARE AND INVOKE FELLOWSHIP

ENTER IN WITH THANKSGIVING, PRAISE, THEN WORSHIP (Ps 100:4)

SING VERTICAL SONGS UNTO THE LORD

LEARN TO TARRY (Isa 40:31)