

#### **SCRIPTURE FOCUS**

Revelation 4:11, Revelation 5:4-5, Acts 4:12, Isaiah 42:8, John 17, Psalm 16:11, John 4:23-24, 2 Chronicles 20:22, & James 4:7

Worship is giving honor, homage, reverence, respect, adoration, praise, or glory to a superior being.

First, and foremost, we worship God because He is worthy of our worship. Revelation 4:11 says:

"You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For you created all things, and they exist because you created what you pleased."

Revelation 4:11

There is no one and nothing that is worthy of our worship except for God.

Revelation 5:4-5 says "I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

Acts 4:12 says "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

And Isaiah 42:8 says "I am the Lord; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols."

# When we understand who God is and all that he has done and is able to do, and we have a reverent fear of God, we can't help but worship Him!

Did you know that YOU were created to worship God? Isaiah 43:7 says:

"Bring all who claim me as their God, for I have made them for my glory. It was I who created them." Isaiah 43:7

God created us to worship Him because He desires and longs for a personal relationship with us! He already knows us fully, but He also wants us to know Him. We encourage you to read John 17, where we see Jesus pray to God the Father that we might know Him.

So what happens when we worship God?

### 1. We get to experience His presences

When we worship God, it invites His presence into our lives, and in His presence is fullness of joy!

Psalm 16:11 tell us "You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand."

#### 2. We come into an encounter with Him

Worshiping God makes room for an encounter with the One who loves us the most. He created us for a purpose and wants us to live our BEST life-in our relationship with Him. When we worship God in spirit and in truth.

John 4:23-24 says "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. 24 God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

#### 3. God can transform us.

Worship gives God permission to transform us and purify our hearts and lives. Our worship confuses the enemy.

2 Chronicles 20:22 tells us "As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated."

## 4. Our enemy flees from us.

James 4:7 says "Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

Therefore as a result, we experience freedom from the things that once bound us and, in turn, we give God the glory and honor He deserves.

