



Worship is defined as a reverent honor paid to God, because of His Divine Nature and supernatural power as our creator and life giver. Obviously throughout scripture, we are enjoined to worship the One and Only God.

Here's what the bible says on worship:

Rev 4:11: "You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created."

Psalms 66:4: "All the earth shall worship You and sing praises to You; they shall sing praises to Your name."

Ps 145:1-3: "I will exalt you, my God and King, and praise your name forever and ever. I will praise you every day; yes, I will praise you forever. Great is the LORD! He is most worthy of praise! No one can measure his greatness."

Luke 4:8: "You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve."

Rom 11:36: "For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen."

Psalms 150:6: "Let everything that has breath praise the LORD."

Rev 5:13: "Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!"

Introspection: Do I worship God through my life in abiding by His Word and following Christ Jesus?

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Why does all creation owe God worship and praise?

Nehemiah 9:6: "You alone are the LORD. You made the skies and the heavens and all the stars. You made the earth and the seas and everything in them. You preserve them all, and the angels of heaven worship you."

Psalm 100:1-3: "Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. Know that the LORD, He *is* God; *It is* He *who* has made us, and not we ourselves; *we are* His people and the sheep of His pasture."

1Chron 29:11: "Yours, O LORD, *is* the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all *that is* in heaven and in earth *is Yours*; Yours *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all."

Ps 86:9-10: "All nations whom You have made shall come and worship before You, O Lord, and shall glorify Your name. For You *are* great, and do wondrous things; You alone *are* God."

Rev 14:7: "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water."

Introspection: Do I understand the supremacy of God over creation and my own life, the reason why I must worship God in Christ Jesus?

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Worshipping God is not simply a matter of singing praises in church. Much more, it requires an attitude of the heart to recognize that God is Spirit, and that our worship and praise must incorporate to live by His Word.

How does scripture identifies this?

Psalm 29:2: "Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness."

Psalm 119:7: "I will praise You with uprightness of heart, when I learn Your righteous judgments."

Psalm 63:3-4: "Because Your lovingkindness *is* better than life, my lips shall praise You. Thus I will bless You while I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name."

Psalm 103:1: "Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, *bless* His holy name!"

Why?

Rom 14:11: "As I live, says the LORD, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

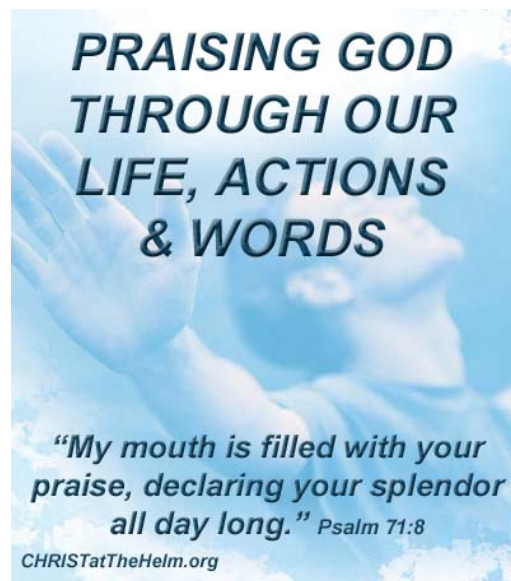
Ps 13:5-6: "I have trusted in Your mercy; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, because He has dealt bountifully with me."

John 14:23: "But a time is coming, and even now has arrived, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks *to be* His worshipers."

Introspection: Do I worship the Lord daily from the heart, or is my worship merely superficial?

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While we worship God with praises to His Name through songs and lifting up holy hands, does worshipping God also incorporate the way we live, which also becomes the testimony of our true love for Christ? Heb 13:5 tells us to praise God saying, “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.”

Then Rom 12:1-2 shows us to worship God through our actions saying, “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”

Why?

1Cor 6:19-20: “Do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God’s.”

The reason Jesus said in John 14:21: “He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me.”

Introspection: Does my life reflect love and worship for Christ through my thoughts, words and actions?

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# **PRAISING GOD THROUGH OUR WITNESS TO A LOST AND DYING WORLD**

***“Let your light so shine before men,  
that they may see your good works  
and glorify your Father in heaven.”***

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**Mat 5:16**

Worshipping God obviously include obedience to His Word, as Christ made clear before going back to the Father in Acts 1:8: “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

How?

2Peter 3:18: “Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

Heb 12:28: “Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.”

Heb 10:23-25: “Let us hold fast the confession of *our* hope without wavering, for He who promised *is* faithful. And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as *is* the manner of some, but exhorting *one another*, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.”

Why?

1Peter 2:9: “But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God’s own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.”

Introspection: Am I growing in the faith and serving the Lord as He called us to do?

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To worship God is an extension of our faith and the proof of our love for Christ that extends to every area of our life.

Let's look at scripture:

Psalm 34:1: "I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth."

1Cor 10:31: "Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

Psalm 27:4: "One thing I have asked from the LORD, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life."

Heb 13:15: "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."

Why?

Psalm 28:7: "The LORD *is* my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped; therefore my heart greatly rejoices, and with my song I will praise Him."

Psalm 84:10: "Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked."

Psalm 29:11: "The LORD will give strength to His people; the LORD will bless His people with peace."

And very importantly, Jesus said in Mat 18:20: "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."

Introspection: Do I worship God in daily abiding in Christ with a heart of praise?

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