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Why Should We Worship?

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Why?

Most people who know anything about God know that God desires our worship. The question many people might have is, "why?" Why should we worship God? What difference does it make? How does our choice to worship God affect anything? This study will explore the reasons why God is worthy of our worship and why we should honor Him with our worship. We encourage you to study the Scriptures referenced herein, and may God bless you as you seek Him!

God Is Our Father

If you have children, you understand that we don't actually NEED our children's love in order to survive. We do, however, deeply long for their love and affection. That love is, in fact, the sole reason why most people have kids. Without the love, affection, and joy that a child can bring, all we're left with is the great financial burden, loss of sleep and sanity, and increase of grey hair that children bring! Without the great joy that a child's love brings us, who would ever want children?

Like a human father, God longs for our love and affection. While God doesn't NEED us, He deeply longs for a meaningful and personal relationship with us! It's the very reason He created us, and the truth is, without God, we have no provider. We cannot even will our own hearts to beat! We are entirely dependant upon God, whether we acknowledge it or not. The fact that God is our Father is a key to the question, "why should we worship Him?"

Acts 17:23-31

Lord Of The Universe

The Bible is very clear that God is the Creator of all things. Look at the world around you. Romans chapter one tells us that God is revealed to us through what He has created, and that we have no excuse not to recognize His existence. Let's dwell on that for a moment. Look up into the night sky. How many stars do you see? Astronomers estimate that our universe is at least 93 billion light years across. This means that if you could travel at the speed of light (186,282,397 miles per second), it would take you 93 billion years to get from one end to the other. And God created it! Yet God is even bigger than that! It has been estimated that there are at least 70 sextillion stars within this universe. How big is that? 70,000,000,000,000,000,000,000! Can you comprehend that number? There are over 300 billion stars in the Milky Way galaxy alone, and the Bible tells us that God simply breathed them into existence; He didn't have to lift a finger to do it! Not only that, but God knows each star's name! There is no frame of reference that we can compare God to; no unit of measure that we can use to determine His size or strength! We are but microscopic specs living on a microscopic spec orbiting around a microscopic speck, and yet God LOVES us! That's the God we're talking about! Doesn't He deserve our worship?

Genesis 1:16 Psalm 19:1-5 Psalm 147:4-5 Isaiah 40:25-26
Nehemiah 9:6 Psalm 33:5-7 1 Kings 8:27 Jeremiah 31:35

Maker Of the Earth

Now let's come in closer to home. Let's look at his beautiful earth that God has created for us to live on. The shape of the earth itself is less than 0.2% away from being considered perfectly elliptical. That is a better percentage than what man makes for any sports ball. The earth is perfectly situated

to sustain life. If the distance, degree of tilt, rotation around the sun, or rate at which it spins around were to change even slightly, we would not be able to survive. Out of all those stars, scientists estimate that less than 5% could possibly even support life as we know it. Is it any coincidence that God placed us on the only planet known to have all the right conditions for us to live? No! God made the earth for us to live on. He made the conditions just right for us. That is how much He loves us!

Genesis chapter 1 Psalm 74:12-17 Psalm 102:25 Isaiah 40:21-26
Genesis 8:22 Psalm 89:11 Psalm 147:7-9

Our Personal Creator

Lastly, let's look at ourselves. The body that God has given us is absolutely amazing in itself. God has designed us in such a way that our bodies heal themselves when hurt. They know how to regulate the right body temperature. We break down food and send the nourishment to the cells within our body, so that each cell can function and work together to allow our body as a whole to work. There are close to 100 trillion cells in an adult body all working together as a team in order for the body to work. No machine ever devised by man involves such an array of intricate parts, all working perfectly together with virtually no breakdowns. Not only is God bigger than the whole universe, but He is also at work within each and every cell of our bodies. What an amazing Creator we have!

Genesis 2:7 Job 33:4 Psalm 139:13-16

He Loves Us

As amazing, immense, and awesome as God is, His most incomprehensible quality is that He loves US! Consider that for a moment. You are but a speck-one among billions-living on a speck-sized planet; one among billions, orbiting around a tiny star; one among 70 sextillion. Yet, God not only knows of your existence; He knows your name, the number of hairs on your head, and every word you speak-even before you say it! Dwell on that for a moment, although we are less than nothing, God LOVES us, even to the extent of sending His Son to die for us! What can we possibly offer to such a God? All we can offer in return to this great God is our imperfect love. But as it turns out, that's all God wants. He wants us to know Him in a deep and personal way. He wants us to feel the intimate love He has for each one of us!

Job 14:15 Zephaniah 3:17 Ephesians 2:4-5 1 John 3:1
Jeremiah 31:3 Romans 5:1-2, 8 John 3:16

How Can We NOT Worship God?

In light of all we've seen here, the real question is, "How can we possibly NOT worship God?" God is not some impersonal deity letting us go our own way. He is more involved in our lives than we will ever know. Our attitude should be one of worship all day. Not only should worship of God come naturally, but we are also commanded to in the Bible. Worshipping God should be both a desire and an act of obedience.

Nehemiah 9:6 Psalm 95:6 John 4:24 Revelation 14:7
Psalm 83:4 Luke 4:8

What Will You Do?

When we look at how incredible all of creation is we should be in awe. The awesomeness of all that God has created is breathtaking. All of creation practically cries out the indescribable qualities of a mighty God. This alone should make us bow down in reverence to such an incredible God. What is even more humbling is to think that this all-powerful God loves and cares for us so much. He wants us to know Him in a very personal and real way. When we think of God on these terms it should make us automatically bow down and worship Him. We are, after all, commanded to do exactly that.