

A Worship Minute ...

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What Is the Purpose of Worship? The goal and purpose of worship is to magnify, exalt, love and adore the only true God, Jesus Christ. In other words, *worship is simply a prayer of relationship in which the "created" lauds and magnifies the "Creator."* It's our expression of *His* worthiness. When we worship, we join the angels, the cherubim, the seraphim, the prophets, the apostles and the host of heaven falling down on their faces and exalting the one and only true God. Listen to Revelation 7:11-12, "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 worshiped God, saying, Amen! Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might be unto our God forever and ever. Amen."

Seven further reasons *why* we worship are:

1. Worship is the primary reason behind all creation.
2. It's our realization of the holiness of God.
3. It's the prescribed ritual of the Temple in the Old Testament.
4. It's the proper response of a believer.
5. It's the recognition of our unworthiness before God.
6. It's the result of our fearing and reverencing God.
7. It's the manifestation of our relationship towards God and it's what makes everything else secondary.