

## *A Worship Minute*

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“Worship is one gift that he who has nothing can give to Him who owns everything” (Mark 12:30).

Someone wisely said, “Maturing in our relationship with Christ is dispensing with the wrong thinking we have about God.” This is true and one area the Holy Spirit changes our thinking is our misconceptions about worshipping God.

After reading Scripture verses about worship, we realize that often our views of worship are not necessarily God’s views.

For example, is worship something we just do in church? What about the verse in Colossians that tells us to do everything as unto the Lord? This means changing dirty diapers and carrying out garbage, running a business and cleaning a house. It is also having our quiet time and singing praise songs in church. Those are all acts of worship if we do them for Him.

We Were Created for God’s Pleasure (not our own pleasure).

“Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for Thou has created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created” (Revelation 4:11).

Our First Purpose is to Worship God.

“Therefore, I urge you brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God - this is your spiritual worship” (Romans 12:1).

Worship is my Response to God’s Love. Worship is Giving Back to God.

“Love the Lord your God with all you heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength” (Mark 12:30).

God wants us to love Him, thoughtfully, passionately and practically. Worship is focusing our attention on God - not ourselves. Worship is expressing our affection for God. Worship is using our abilities for God.

Reflect on these thoughts as you go about your day. Ask God to help you make this day a day of worship.

***Father, we have so much to learn about how to worship You. We love You so much and want You to cleanse our minds from all the false conceptions and enable us to adore and worship You. Amen.***