

“Why Worship?”

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I. WHAT IS WORSHIP?

- A. More than music...
- B. Can be defined as:
 - “Worth- Ship”
 - Merriam Webster’s definition: *“To honor or show reverence for as a divine being or supernatural power.”*

II. WHY DO WE WORSHIP?

- A. We were all created to worship.
- B. Because God is worthy of our very best.
- C. God commands it.

One of them, an expert in religious law, tried to trap him with this question: “Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?” Jesus replied, “You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.” This is the first and greatest commandment. — Matthew 22:35-38

- D. Worship Changes Us.
- E. Worship teaches us theology.

III. WHY DO WE WORSHIP TOGETHER?

- A. Worship is a heart issue.
 - **WMA Values:** Excellence, Authenticity, Community, and Devotion

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord’s Supper), and to prayer.
— Acts 2:42

- B. Gathering is a commitment to God and one another.
 - Teaching of the apostles.
 - Fellowship - meals.
 - Worshipped in the temple.
 - Giving/ sharing together.

- C. We need each other.

“In the process of being worshiped... God communicates his presence to men.”
— C. S. Lewis

- D. Worshipping together sets you up for the rest of the week

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.
— Hebrews 10:24-25

CONCLUSION