



# How Do You Meet Jesus with Others?

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## **Worship 101**

**Worship is FEASTING on the GLORY OF GOD**

“Glory” – the perfection of who the personal God is in all the different facets of His character & being (Ps 95:1-2)

“Feasting” – rejoicing, delighting in, celebrating God’s glory

**Worship involves the:**

**Head:** recognizing the supreme honor, worth & excellence of God

**Heart:** sensing & savoring the beauty, wonder, worth of God



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## God Is the Supreme Creator (95:3-5)

Why did God create the universe...planet earth...you & me???

*Psalm 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God;  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*

## God's "Big Bang" Story

The universe is an explosion of God's glory...created to reflect His beauty and wonder to us



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Surely we could feast on other perfections of who God is....  
...so why does the Psalmist begins with God the Creator?????

**The Point: Everything but God is secondary, finite**  
...You can enjoy God's creation but that enjoyment cannot  
complete the human heart

*Psalm 95:3 For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.*

**Practical: In corporate worship we come together to encourage one another to forsake our trusting in anything God has created to give us life and happiness and wholeness, and to refocus our hearts captivation on the Supreme Creator of infinite worth**

**Eg. Why there is a “CONFESSSION of SIN”**



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**2 Corinthians 4:6** *For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.*

**2 Corinthians 5:17** *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!*



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### **Practical:**

**Worship is an act of JOYFUL SUBMISSION of all that you are not only to the greatest authority in the universe ...but also to the most generous lover in the universe**

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**In corporate worship you come to feast on the glory of God – the Shepherd King, the Humble Savior – and to respond by joyfully submitting all that you are to His loving rule**



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## God Is the God Who Speaks (Psalm 95:7a-8)

**Psalm 95:7-8** *Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the desert,*

One of the main acts of worship is to hear God's voice.....

Listening & learning from the Word of God is one of the central components of corporate worship

*In the OT, "hear" or "listen" is also the word for obey*

Corporate worship involves:

- Listening to God's Word
- Asking God to soften your heart to His Word
- Offering yourself to God in obedience (joyful submission)



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## Worship Is a Feasting that Finds Rest in the Glory of God (Psalm 95:7b-11)

### **Rest from constant striving to prove yourself**

**Hebrews 4:9-10** *There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from his own work, just as God did from his.*

**Worship is feasting & resting on the glory of God in Christ**

### **Rest in the ongoing healing of your soul**

**The healing of your soul requires restoring the glory of God to its center in your life.**

### **Rest that is a foretaste of heaven**

