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HOW, WHAT, AND WHY DO WE WORSHIP?

When you look up the word "Worship," [Merriam-Webster.com](https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/worship) defines the word as this:

"To honor or show reverence for as a divine being or supernatural power.
To regard with great or extravagant respect, honor, or devotion."

When you think of that word, what comes to mind? Singing songs of praise on a Sunday morning? Or a genre of music? Neither of these things are wrong, but it doesn't encapsulate everything that worship is.

I recently completed a devotional on YouVersion that REALLY got me thinking about these things. After completing this devotional, here is what I came away with:

How do we worship God? Through music, of course! We see this time and again in scripture. We also worship God by serving others. Whether that's at home, in your community, or at church, serving others well glorifies God. Sometimes that looks like doing the dishes, sometimes it looks like going on a mission trip. Lastly, we worship God by placing our trust in Him, which means surrendering our will to His.

What do we worship? This devotion encouraged the reader to check themselves throughout the day to see WHAT they were worshiping. Is it God? Sometimes. But how often are we worshiping another person, ourselves, or a TV show?

Why do we worship God? Because He is worthy of it all! If we believe that God created the heavens and the earth and everything in them, and that He sent His son to save us, then why wouldn't we give Him praise?

"For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen." - Romans 11:36

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord." - Psalm 150:6

Worshiping God is about heart posture. Today, I encourage you to be intentional about how, what, and why you worship.



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LAST WEEK @ CROSS CHURCH:

WEEKLY NEEDS: \$9,986.55

OFFERING: \$4,833.22

DIFFERENCE: -\$5,153.33

BUILDING FUND: \$109,233.23

ATTENDANCE:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th
245

ONLINE
45

BAPTISM CELEBRATION
225

COMING UP:

YOUTH NIGHT

AUGUST 13th - 6:00PM
@ THE CHURCH

FAMILY NIGHT BEGINS

SEPTEMBER 3RD - 6:00PM