WHY WE WORSHIP

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SPECIAL THANKS TO DAVE FOR HIS 40 YEARS OF MINISTRY TO OTTERBEIN CHURCH

THREE REASONS WHY WE WORSHIP GOD (JESUS)

ossians 1:15–18 (NLT) (15) Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was ated and is supreme over all creation, (16) for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms I on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see— such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, I authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. (17) He existed before thing else, and he holds all creation together. (18) Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So he is first in everything. —God takes care of His creation and provides us with an ance of blessings. tthew 5:45 (NLT) (45) In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven. For he gives sunlight to both the evil and the good, and he sends rain on the just and the unjust alike. hes 1:17 (NLT) (17) Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who
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ated all the lights in the heavens. He never changes or casts a shifting shadow.
tthew 6:33 (NLT) (33) Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you rything you need.
Ilm 23 (NLT) A psalm of David. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need. (2) He lets me rest in en meadows; he leads me beside peaceful streams. (3) He renews my strength. He guides me along right hs, bringing honor to his name. (4) Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me. (5) You prepare a feast for me in the presse of my enemies. You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings. (6) Surely ar goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord ever.
—God chooses to bless us rather than curse us as our sin
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Mark 12:30–31 (NLT) (30) And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' (31) The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' No other commandment is greater than these."

Ephesians 5:15–17 (NLT) (15) So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. (16) Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. (17) Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.

Every Second I can Serve
Every Minute I can Minister
Every Hour I can Help
Every Day I can Develop
Every Week I can Witness
Every Month I can Memorize
Every Year I can Yield

Philippians 1:3–6 (NIV) (3) I thank my God every time I remember you. (4) In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy (5) because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, (6) being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

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