

Psalm 5:11, “But let all those who put their trust in You rejoice! Let them ever shout [sing] for joy, because You defend them; Let those also who love Your name be joyful in You!”

“For God has cheered our hearts and minds through his dear Son, whom He gave for us to redeem us from sin, death, and the devil. He who believes this earnestly cannot be quiet about it.”

Martin Luther, Preface to a Hymnal, 1544

Revelation 4:11, “You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created.”

Revelation 5:6, “And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth.”

**Revelation 5:12, “saying with a loud voice:
‘Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive
power and riches and wisdom, and strength
and honor and glory and blessing!’”**

Revelation 5:13, “And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: ‘Blessing and honor and glory and power *be* to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!’

Revelation 5:14, “Then the four living creatures said, ‘Amen!’ And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever.”

Core Idea of Worship

Submission to God as the Sovereign Creator and expressing that authority orientation through gratitude, praise (songs which rehearse His Person and Work), giving, rituals of remembrance [baptism, communion], and learning His Word.

1 Chronicles 25:3, “Of Jeduthun, the sons of Jeduthun: Gedaliah, Zeri, Jeshaiiah, Shimei, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the direction of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp to give thanks and to praise the LORD.”