

Creator Worship

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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 4:11 NKJV

These were the words spoken by the twenty-four elders which John witnessed and recorded in the Revelation of Jesus Christ. These twenty-four elders hold an enviable position in John's vision. Seated around the throne of God, they have access to the grandest revelations of the Creator and his Son. These revelations produce worship responses that only those who have intimate relationship with the King dare to offer. Their relationship with the King is evident for only those with such intimacy are given such access to the throne room.

Five times in Revelations it is stated that God is worthy to receive glory, honor and power. To give him glory, honor and power means that God alone deserves to have all eyes look to him, to be noted above all others and to be seen as valuable and precious. He is to be esteemed in the highest degree and to have all power and strength and to be power itself. In other instances glory, honor and power are mentioned along with thanksgiving, strength, wisdom, riches, blessing and might. To be worthy to receive something means there has been some action performed by the recipient. Why is God worthy? **He created all things!** Thus, he has met the requirements and is worthy to be worshiped.

The Greek word used here for created expresses the idea of proprietorship of the manufacturer. He fabricated or originally formed all things. By his will, (his determination, choice, purpose, volition, or decree) they exist. In other words by his determined choice and for his specific purpose he decreed the existence of all things. *For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.* (Colossians 1:16-17)

In Psalm 148 all of creation is commanded to praise God because, *He commanded and they were created.* To participate in heaven's worship service we must join with the elders and the rest of creation in offering uninhibited praise and worship to our Creator.

Have you joined with the rest of creation in worship of your creator? Ask the Father to give you a fresh revelation of him as creator.

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Scriptures for meditation:

Genesis 1:1

John 1:3

Revelation 10:5-6

Ephesians 3:8-12