

Worship that Makes God Feel at Home in Your Life

1. *Worship makes a journey to the throne of God and back.* God designed worship to draw us into his presence and to center our lives around his throne.

Revelation 4:3-6

....⁴around the throne *was a rainbow...*

....⁴Around the throne *were twenty-four thrones...*

....⁵ From the throne *came flashes of lightning,*

....⁵ before the throne *were burning seven torches*

....⁶ *and* before the throne....

....⁶ around the throne

....⁶ on each side of the throne

Worship draws us to explore the power, beauty, and life-giving presence of God. Worship makes God feel at home in our lives.

Ephesians 2:19-22 (CSB) *So, then, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with the saints, and members of God's household, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole building, being put together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²² In him you are also being built together for God's dwelling in the Spirit.*

1 Corinthians 3:16-17 (ESV) *Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? ¹⁷ If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.*

Exodus 25:8-9 (CSB) *They are to make a sanctuary for me so that I may dwell among them. ⁹ You must make it according to all that I show you — the pattern of the tabernacle as well as the pattern of all its furnishings.*

Hebrews 8:5 (CSB) *These serve as a copy and shadow of the heavenly things, as Moses was warned when he was about to complete the tabernacle. For God said, Be careful that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown to you on the mountain.*

2. In building a habitation for God, when we get the pattern right the promise will come to pass, *"I will dwell among them."*
 - a. Exodus 40:33-34
 - b. Revelation 4:1-2

God's Resting Place

1. A Throne

Revelation 4:2 (ESV) *At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne.*

2. A Holy Place

Revelation 4:8 (ESV) *And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"*

3. A Place of Thanksgiving

Revelation 4:9 (ESV) *And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever...*

4. A Place of Worship

Revelation 4:10 (ESV) *The twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying, ¹¹ "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."*

5. A Place of Humility

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