

## LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Why We Worship — Psalm 33:1-9  
October 7, 2018

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. - **Psalm 33:1**

### I. WE WORSHIP BECAUSE...

- We are God's righteous people (vs. 1; Eph. 1:1, 4; Phil. 1:10-11).
- It is only fitting that righteous people praise their holy God (vs. 1; Ps. 111:1; 119:7; 140:13).
- There is a freshness and newness to the mercies of God (vs. 3; Lam. 3:22-24).
- God has gifted some in the art of praise and worship (vs. 3; Rom. 12:3-8).
- God's word is true (vs. 4; Ps. 119: 89; 119:160; John 17:17).
- Everything God does is done in faithfulness to his own righteousness and truth, and he loves justice (vs. 4; Ps. 89:14; Ezra 9:15).
- God created all things (vs. 6; Ps. 134:3; Isa. 45:12, 18-19).
- God controls all things (vss. 7-9; Phil. 3:17-21).

### II. WORSHIP AT LIFEPOINT CHURCH

- Going hard after God (2 Chron. 15:2; Ps. 10:4; 119:2; Acts 17:27).
- Expecting to meet God (James 4:8).
- Gravity and gladness! (Deut. 4:24; Ps. 16:11; Heb. 12:29; Jude 1:24)

**KNOW:** We worship because God is worthy of honor and glory. We worship because we are called to worship, and because it is good and fitting for us to do so, and right in God's eyes.

**DO:** Worship the Lord!

#### Suggested Reading:

*Gravity and Gladness on Sunday Morning* by John Piper  
(LifePoint Library #264 PIP)

#### Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

Please read Psalm 33:1-9

1. What is the overall theme of Psalm 33?
2. This psalm tells us how to praise God. Isn't worship supposed to be spontaneous? What are your thoughts?
3. Do we need a reason to worship God? Why or why not?
4. Why is it so important to remember (and to give thanks for) the fact that God created our universe?
5. Why should we be so glad to know that our God loves justice and righteousness?
6. What are your thoughts on our worship at LifePoint? Are there things you feel we do right? Things we should change?