

We Exist to Worship

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The WPCC Vision Statement: We are committed to knowing Christ and making Him known to others!

“Where there is no prophetic vision the people cast off restraint, but blessed is he who keeps the law.”

Proverbs 29:18

❖ We exist to: **Worship – Proclaim – Consecrate – Commit**

We Exist to Worship God

Worship: (Greek – *proskuneo*) “‘to make obeisance [to bow], do reverence to’ (from *pros*, ‘towards,’ and *kuneo*, ‘to kiss’), is the most frequent word rendered ‘to worship.’”¹

❖ Worship is the expression of love, admiration, and gratefulness for all that God is and all that He has done for us!

❖ Revelation 7 gives us a glimpse of the exuberant worship that flows from the knowledge of the joy of our salvation!

📖 Revelation 7:9-12

“...Salvation belongs to our God...!”

Salvation: “...spiritual and eternal deliverance...”¹

We Worship God, Our Deliverer

❖ We are hopeless in our sinful, inherited condition which separates us from God our creator!

f God created Adam and Eve. *Genesis 2*

f Adam and Eve violated God’s command and sinned against Him. *Genesis 3*

f Sin entered the world through Adam and the sin nature is passed on to all mankind!

“Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—” Romans 5:12

f The result is separation from God!

“Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or His ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden His face from you so that He does not hear.” Isaiah 59:1-2

f Mankind cannot restore this relationship with God on his own power and so we live with the fearful expectation of God’s judgment and wrath!

Ephesians 2:1-3

f By nature we are “...separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.” *Ephesians 2:12*

❖ However, God did not leave us in our hopeless condition!

Ephesians 2:4-9

f This work of deliverance from sin and Satan is not our own doing!

⇒ We are saved by Grace Alone!

f Understanding this fact caused the Apostle Paul to write this letter with praise to God for His miraculous work in making us His people!

Ephesians 1:1-14

f Worship flows from understanding the Joy of our Salvation!

“and crying out with a loud voice, ‘Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’” Revelation 7:10

Study Questions:

Name at least ten characteristics of the sinful nature we have inherited as revealed in *Romans 3:10-19*.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____
- 8) _____
- 9) _____
- 10) _____

Who has inherited this spiritual condition? *Romans 3:23*

List five results of our salvation through faith in Christ. *Ephesians 2:1-10*

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____

The joy of our salvation comes from understanding the love, mercy, and forgiveness that God extended to us through the death of Jesus Christ on the cross and the living hope we now have through His resurrection from the dead.