

THE HEART OF WORSHIP

Created For God's Pleasure - Part 1

Revelations 4:11 NLT

"You are worthy, Oh Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For You created everything, and it is for Your pleasure that they exist and were created."

WORSHIP IN HEAVEN

Revelation 4:1 - 11 NLT

- ✚ Who are the **24** Elders encircling the throne?
- ✚ Represents the **12** tribes of Israel and the **12** Apostles
- ✚ Symbolically representing - **ALL** Old and New Testament believers (us!)
- ✚ What are the 24 Elders **doing**?

WORSHIPPING

Romans 12:1

Jesus' attributes are seen in the 4 living creatures around the throne:

1. Face of LION = **KINGSHIP**, majesty and power
2. Face of OX = **FAITHFUL SERVANT**
3. Face of HUMAN = **SINLESS** humanity as Son of God
4. Face of EAGLE = **DEITY** and sovereignty

- ✚ The living creatures guard the throne of God and lead worship and **proclaim** God's holiness.
- ✚ ALL creatures in heaven and on earth are meant to praise and honor GOD **willingly** and **openly** because He is the Creator of all that we see and He is the Sustainer of everything.

Ephesians 1:5 Amplified

For He foreordained us (destined us, planned in love for us) to be adopted (revealed) as His own children through Jesus Christ, in accordance with the purpose of His will [because it pleased Him and was His kind intent]--

- ♥ God had an **intense**, loving desire for you to be a part of His family.

Romans 8:18 - 23 NLT

Romans 11:36 NLT

- ♥ When we embrace how incredible our future is, we will worship Him right now with **awe** for who He is, with **abandonment** for all He has done for us, with an intimacy coming from our heart that brings Him pleasure.
- ♥ You are meant to feel a pleasurable **love** reaction and interaction with the heart of God.
- ♥ When we learn to **release** ourselves in open trust to the love of God - it begins to make all of our earthly relationships fuller, better.
- ♥ We are wired by God to love Him first - to sense His love - to feel it - touch it - taste it in our spirit...worship is the **pathway** there.

Psalms 16:11

*You will show me the path of life;
in Your presence is fullness of joy,
at Your right hand there are pleasures forevermore*

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