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# *A Year in the Word*

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## **A Year in the Word: So Will I: Part 4**

### **Small Group Questions: Why I Worship**

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#### **Read**

Genesis 2:7; Romans 12:1; 1 Corinthians 12:18; Acts 2:42; Genesis 22:15–18; Hebrews 10:25;  
Luke 7:36–50; John 3:16

#### **Reflect**

How we worship God can take many forms and have different meaning for different people. Which of the following explanations of worship speak most to you at this point in your life? Why do *you* worship?

Our five speakers share with us why they worship:

1. (Tara Banks) I worship because it's what I'm created to do.
  - a. God breathed life into us. How are you going to breathe it back to him?
  - b. God created us with different gifts. How are you using those gifts? What impact does it have on you to think of there being a gap in God's plan where your gifts should be used?
2. (Jack Hoey III) I worship because we are a family.
  - a. Do you view your church as a family? Why or why not?
  - b. When have you felt alone in your walk with God?
  - c. How has God helped you realize that he and others will walk alongside you if you let them?
3. (Brandon Lake) I worship because worship brings blessing.
  - a. When we withhold nothing from God, he withholds nothing from us. What is most precious to you? If God asks you to surrender it, would you? How tightly are you holding onto it?
  - b. Why would a loving God ask you to surrender something so dear?
  - c. Do you believe God honors what he asks you to relinquish? How have you seen him do this?
4. (Lynne Stroy) I worship because I've been forgiven much.
  - a. In Luke 7, a woman washes Jesus's feet with her tears and hair. The Pharisees think Jesus must not realize what kind of woman she is. In this story, which are you? A Pharisee or the woman? Explain.
  - b. Why do we tend to compare our sins and put them in a false hierarchy?
  - c. What have you been forgiven of?
5. (Nate Davis) I worship because God loves me.
  - a. Do you truly believe God loves you and doesn't want to be apart from you? Why or why not?
  - b. What are you relying on to feel loved?
  - c. Does your worship of God reflect your love for him? Explain.

**Respond:** Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?