



The Notes

THIS IS US Part 4: "We Exist To Glorify"

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1. THE CHURCH IS DESIGNED FOR WORSHIP

- God designed us for Himself

"For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him."

Colossians 1:16

- God designed us for Worship

"In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance,[a] having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory."

Ephesians 1:11-12

- God designed us to Sing

God didn't call us all to be great singers, but for all of us to sing to His greatness.

- There are 400 direct references to singing
- There are 50 direct commands to sing
- Longest book in the Bible-Psalms

"Sing praises to God, sing praises; Sing praises to our King, sing praises."

Psalm 47:6

"Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day."

Psalm 96:1-2

- Singing is one of God's love languages.

2. WHEN WE DON'T SING AND WORSHIP GOD, IT'S NOT BECAUSE WE DON'T CARE, BUT BECAUSE WE AREN'T AWARE OF WHAT HAPPENS WE WORSHIP.

- We are not aware that He's Present with us.

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Matthew 18:20

- When we show up for God, He always shows up for us.
- We are not aware of our singular capacity to make God happy.

“I will praise God’s name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving.

This will please the Lord more than an ox, more than a bull with its horns and hooves.”

Psalms 69:30-31

“...find out what pleases the Lord.”

Ephesians 5:10

- Worship is not for us.
- We are not aware of our need for Perspective

“I need to worship because, without it, I can forget that I have a big God beside me and live in fear. I need to worship because, without it, I can forget His calling and begin to live in a spirit of self-preoccupation.

“I need to worship because, without it, I lose a sense of wonder and gratitude and plod through life with blinders on. I need to worship because my natural tendency is toward self-reliance and stubborn independence.”

-John Ortberg

3. THE CHURCH IS DESIGNED FOR WORSHIP FAR BEYOND OUR SONGS.

“Your heart is the most powerful instrument of worship.”

-Pastor Chris

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.”

Romans 12:1

“Don’t you know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you?”

1 Corinthians 3:16

“Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you which you have from God?”

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

We don’t worship God with all of our being because we don’t care, but because we are not aware of who we really are.