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Sermon Notes for November 6, 2022

“The Reason We Worship”

Sermon Text: Psalm 95:1-7a (page 633); **New Testament Text:** Romans 12:2; **Gospel Text:** John 4:23-24

Open your pew Bible to Psalm 95:1-7a (page 633), and as you listen to the sermon, answer the questions below.

1. C. S. Lewis said, “In the process of being worshipped, God communicates His presence to men.” What do you think Lewis meant by this statement?

2. Read **Psalm 95:1 (p. 633)**, then, answer the following questions.
In worship, who is our target audience?

According to this verse, who is supposed to worship the Lord?

Why should we be encouraged by the command to *make a joyful noise*?

Why is the *rock of our salvation* such a great name for Jesus?

3. Read **Psalm 95:2 (p.633)**, then, answer the questions below.
According to the author of this Psalm, what brings us into God's presence?

Why does giving thanks to God increase our appreciation of who God is and what He does for us?

How might that draw us closer to Him and increase in us the sense of God's presence?

4. According to **Psalm 95:3**, why should we worship the Lord?

5. Read **Psalm 95:4-5**. How does this passage make you feel about God?

Does it make you think God is deserving of our worship & praise?

6. Read **Psalm 95:6**. What does it communicate to God when we *worship and bow down* to Him or *kneel before the LORD, our Maker*?

How can simply going through the motions of bowing down and kneeling before God lead to “empty worship?”

What can we surrender to the Lord that will let Him know we recognize His power and authority?

7. Read **Psalm 95:7a**. What kind of things did a good shepherd do for his flock?

According to **John 10:27-28 (p.1141)**, if Jesus is our Good Shepherd, what will we do and what will we have?

8. What was the most meaningful thing you learned about worship through this sermon?