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CATCHING UP

- Share an insight from your reading in *The Purpose Driven Life* that was especially meaningful to you this week.

- When, where, and how do you feel closest to God?

MEMORY VERSE

Give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life.

Romans 6:13b (NLT)



The material in this study guide is meant to be your servant, not your master. If all you have time for is to share what you have read in *The Purpose Driven Life* and watch the video together, that's fine. Don't feel pressured to cover all of the material every week.



Watch the video lesson now and follow along in your outline.

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You [God] created all things, and it is for your pleasure that they exist and were created.

Revelation 4:11 (NLT)

Because of God's great mercy to us . . . Offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to God, dedicated to his service and pleasing to him. This is the true worship that you should offer.

Romans 12:1 (TEV)

- **Worship is _____ to God's love.**
- **Worship is _____ to God.**

What do you give to a God who has everything? You give him the one thing he doesn't have unless you give it to him. You give him your love.

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."

Mark 12:30 (NIV)

- **Worship is _____ to God.**

That's what it means to "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul." God wants you to love him passionately.

WHAT ON EARTH **AM I HERE FOR?**

The first reason God put you on earth was for you to get to know him and love him back.

He is a God who is passionate about his relationship with you.

Exodus 34:14b (NLT)

“I don’t want your sacrifices—I want your love; I don’t want your offerings—I want you to know me.”

Hosea 6:6 (TLB)

The greatest way to express your love to God is by giving your life to him.

Give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life.

Romans 6:13b (NLT)

We love Him because He first loved us.

1 John 4:19 (NKJV)

- **Worship is _____
on God.**

That’s what it means to “love the Lord your God . . . with all your mind.” God wants you to love him thoughtfully. God wants your focus because he is focused on you.

You have looked deep into my heart, LORD, and you know all about me. You know when I am resting or when I am working . . . You notice everything I do and everywhere I go.

Psalms 139:1–3 (CEV)

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Colossians 3:2 (NIV)

Establish a daily time with God.

“Find a quiet, secluded place so you won’t be tempted to role-play before God. Just be there as simply and honestly as you can manage. The focus will shift from you to God, and you will begin to sense his grace.”

Matthew 6:6 (MSG)

Develop constant conversation with God.

Worship him continually.

Psalms 105:4b (TEV)

You [Lord] will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, whose thoughts are fixed on you!

Isaiah 26:3 (NLT)

When you fix your thoughts on God, God will fix your thoughts.

- **Worship is _____
for God.**

That’s what it means to “love the Lord your God . . . with all your strength.” God wants you to love him practically, with your actions.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord and not for people.

Colossians 3:23 (TEV)

It’s not what you do that matters; it’s who you do it for.

WHAT ON EARTH **AM I HERE FOR?**

Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering.

Romans 12:1 (MSG)

Real worship is a lifestyle.



Watch the video entitled, "How to Become a Follower of Christ." You will find it on the DVD. If anyone in your group prays for the first time to receive Christ as their Savior, be sure to take time to celebrate that decision together.



Discovery Questions

- The Bible says, *Because of God's great mercy to us . . . Offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to God, dedicated to his service and pleasing to him. This is the true worship that you should offer* (Romans 12:1 TEV). What do you think it means to be a "living sacrifice?"



Please don't feel pressured to discuss every discovery question. The point is not to race through the session; the point is to take time to let God work in your lives.

- Surrendering to God is not about losing, it's about gaining. What will you gain by surrendering more of your life to God?



Diving Deeper

- Do you want to go deeper in worship?

Visit www.purposedriven.com/WORSHIP for **Purpose Driven Leadership Courses**, books, small group studies, and other worship resources for personal and small group use. You will also receive free access to seven audio sermons on worship from Pastor Rick Warren.

- Read chapters 8 to 14 in *The Purpose Driven Life* before your next small group meeting. Share with the world what you are learning by placing a favorite quote from the book on your Facebook page or by tweeting with the hashtag #PDL.
- Read the **Memory Verse** on page 12 every day this week as part of your daily devotions. See if you can have it memorized before your next group meeting.

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Prayer Direction

- Did anyone commit their life to Jesus Christ after watching Pastor Rick's video message, "How to Become a Follower of Christ"? If so, be sure to celebrate that decision!
- Begin your prayer time by offering short, one-sentence prayers of thanksgiving to God for his blessings in your life. For instance, you might say, "Thank you for my spouse," or "Thank you for my health," or "Thank you for providing for my family," etc.
- Pray for your group's prayer requests. Be sure to record their requests on the **Small Group Prayer and Praise Report** on page 72.