

GOD IS WORTHY OF OUR WORSHIP

We live in a day in age where the underlining current for worshiping God is based on what He does for us. I'd like to suggest this has much to do with what Carl Trueman identifies as "expressive individualism," where we are at the centre of all things, and our feelings are the ultimate authority in our lives.

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I am not implying that we do not thank God for His amazing grace, mercy, love, and redeeming work in our lives. May we never lose sight of all that He has done, and yet might I suggest that there is room to grow in our vision of WHO God is and not just what He does for us.

BECAUSE HE IS GOD

Some songs we sing paint God as a therapist or a good friend. I don't believe this is an intentional or malicious attempt to make God small, but the outcome can be that we sing about a small god who helps us when things are challenging, like a good friend who listens well.



Why does this matter? It seems today that many of us are confused and unclear on the meaning of life, why we are here, or what we are to live for.

Carl Trueman wrote,

"Being overwhelmed by a vision of a great God at the center of all things is ultimately the only antidote to confusing the needs of ourselves as creatures with the meaning of life."

With so many voices, ideas, ideologies, theories, plans and self-help solutions, may I encourage us as a community to allow our view of God to expand? May we look to His Word and see what it tells us about His character and nature. May we embrace the whole counsel of God as revealed in the Bible, and may we be freed from seeing God as a good buddy or therapist. May we revive the awe in our lives that worships God simply because He is God. He is great. He is awesome. He is Holy. He is worthy.