

Text: Romans 11:32-36

Main idea: Because of redemption God is worthy or worship in all of life. Or, as a result of redemption God is creating worshipers in all of life.

Introduction:

I. God is worthy of worship because of His redemptive plan (32-35).

A. An overview of redemptive history in Romans that should elicit worship.

Chaps. 1-3

Chap. 4

Chap. 5

Chap. 6

Chap. 7

Chap. 8

Chaps. 9-11

The modern scientist has lost God amid the wonders of His world; we Christians are in real danger of losing God amid the wonders of His Word. We have almost forgotten that God is a person and, as such, can be cultivated as any person can. It is inherent in personality to be able to know other personalities, but full knowledge of one personality by another cannot be achieved in one encounter. It is only after long and loving mental intercourse that the full possibilities can be explored. All social intercourse between human beings is a response of personality to personality, grading upward from the most casual brush between man and man to the fullest, most intimate communion of which the human soul is capable. Religion, so far as it is genuine, is in essence the response of created personalities to the Creating Personality, God. "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." God is a person, and in the deep of His mighty nature He thinks, wills, enjoys, feels, loves, desires and suffers as any other person may. In making Himself known to us He stays by the familiar pattern of personality. He communicates with us through the avenues of our minds, our wills and our emotions (A.W. Tozer; *The Pursuit of God*, page 13).

B. God is worthy of worship because He needs no wisdom or wealth.

II. God is worthy of worship in all of life (36).

- A. The Source of all (Psalm 24:1-2)
- B. The Sustainer of all (Col. 1:16-17)
- C. The Specific purpose of all (I Cor. 10:31; Acts 17:28; Rev. 1:8)

III. God is worthy of worship in all of life (cf. 12:1-2 and then chaps 12-16).

A. In marriage in general

B. In relationship tensions

C. With money

D. With children

Conclusion:

How does this theology encourage you?

What questions does it raise?

How should this impact your perspective on life?

How should this influence your relationships today?