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Worthy: *meriting recognition; excellent.*

	How is God's WORTHINESS shown in these Scriptures?	Observations, Questions, Synonyms, Other Attributes	What difference does God's WORTHINESS make in my life?
<p>2 Samuel 22:1-4</p> <p>David sang to the LORD the words of this song when the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies and from the hand of Saul. ² He said:</p> <p>"The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;</p> <p>³ my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge,</p> <p>my shield^[a] and the horn^[b] of my salvation.</p> <p>He is my stronghold, my refuge and my savior—</p> <p>from violent people you save me.</p> <p>⁴ "I called to the LORD, who is worthy of praise,</p> <p>and have been saved from my enemies.</p> <p><i>a. Or "sovereign"</i></p> <p><i>b. "Horn" here symbolizes strength.</i></p>			
<p>Psalms 145:1-3</p> <p>I will exalt you, my God the King;</p> <p>I will praise your name for ever and ever.</p> <p>² Every day I will praise you</p> <p>and extol your name for ever and ever.</p> <p>³ Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;</p> <p>his greatness no one can fathom.</p>			

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<p>John 4:4-26</p> <p>Now he had to go through Samaria. ⁵ So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.</p> <p>⁷ When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" ⁸ (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)</p> <p>⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.^[a])</p> <p>¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."</p> <p>¹¹ "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? ¹² Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?"</p> <p>¹³ Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."</p> <p><i>Continued</i></p>			

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<p>John 4:4-26 - continued</p> <p>¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."¹⁶ He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."</p> <p>¹⁷ "I have no husband," she replied.</p> <p>Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. ¹⁸ The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."</p> <p>¹⁹ "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."</p> <p>²¹ "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴ God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."</p> <p><i>Continued</i></p>			

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<p>Philippians 2:6-11</p> <p>Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;</p> <p>⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.</p> <p>⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!</p> <p>⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,</p> <p>¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,</p> <p>¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.</p>			

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<p>Revelation 5:9-13</p> <p>And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. ¹⁰ You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign^[a] on the earth." ¹¹ Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. ¹² In a loud voice they were saying: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" ¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"</p> <p><i>a. Some manuscripts "they reign"</i></p>			

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What other scriptures come to mind?			

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Reflections

1 Chronicles 16:23-25

Ephesians 4:1-2

Share some ways you praise the Lord. Remember a difficult time or season in your life. Were you able to offer God a sacrifice of praise? If so, how?

While God alone is worthy of praise, He calls us to live lives worthy of our calling. How are you living a life worthy of your calling? What areas do you need God's grace and help in?

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Lecture Notes

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Prayer Requests
