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"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is He who is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and have come to Worship Him.' When Herod the king had heard this he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where the Christ should be born. And they said unto him, 'In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, 'And you Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not the least among the princes of Judah; for out of you shall come a Governor, who shall rule My people Israel.' Then Herod, when he had privately called the wise men, diligently enquired of them what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, 'Go and search diligently for the young Child; and when you have found Him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.' When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and Worshipped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts: gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. (Matthew 2:1-11)

**Worship:** from the Greek word *proskynesai* a verb which means: to do reverence unto; to worship God with praise and thanksgiving; properly, to bow down and kiss the ground prostate before God; the act of falling down and prostrating oneself for adoration of God, often on one's knees. the acts or rites that make up a formal expression of reverence for God. In a sense: the action of Loving God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and the giving of one's self, and one's possessions, talents, and sacrifices to service unto God. The Living God of all Creation is alone to be worshiped: whether in the person of the Father, Son, or Holy Spirit.

**Worshiped:** from the Greek word <u>proskynesan</u> a verb which means: to be actively and continually worshiping God, as defined above.

**Praise:** from the Greek word <u>ainon</u> a verb which means: praise, or verbal praise of God. The expression of respect, adoration, gratitude, and thanksgiving, <u>as an act of worship unto God</u>. Please consider the following:

"Praise you the LORD. Praise you the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights. Praise you Him, all His angels; praise you Him, all His hosts; praise you Him sun and moon; praise Him all you stars of light. Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, and you waters that are above the heavens. Let them praise the Name of the LORD; for <a href="He commanded">He commanded</a>, and they were created. He has also established them forever and ever; He has made a decree which shall not pass. Praise the LORD from the earth, you dragons, and all the-deeps; fire, and hail; snow, and vapor; stormy wind fulfilling His word; and mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars; and beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and flying fowl; and kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth; both young men, and maidens; old men, and children; <a href="Let them praise the Name of the LORD">Let them praise the Name of the LORD</a>. For His Name alone is excellent; His glory is above the earth and heaven. He also exalts the horn of His people, <a href="the them praise">the praise</a> of all His saints; even of the children of Israel, a people near unto Him. Praise you the LORD." (Psalm 148:1-14)

This, above, is an exhortation unto <u>All Creation</u>, including angels and humans, to only worship God - even the LORD-Yahweh! We are to worship God alone, and none other! Please consider the following acts of worship that were rebuked:

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When Peter was worshiped by Cornelius:

"Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, 'Behold, I am he whom you seek; what is the reason that you have come?' And they said, 'Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one who fears God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by a holy angel to summon you to his house, and to hear words from you.' Then he (Peter) called them in, and lodged them. And on the next morning Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him, and the next morning after they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends. And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped him. But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am (just) a man." (Acts 10:21-26)

When the people of Lystra tried to worship Paul and Barnabas with offerings and sacrifices:

"And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked. The same heard Paul speak; who steadfastly beheld him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, 'Stand upright on your feet.' And he leaped and walked. And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the language of Lycaonia, 'The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.' And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker. Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people. Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they tore their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out. and saying, 'Sirs, why do you these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that you should turn from these vanities unto the living God, who made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein; who in times past allowed all nations to walk in their own ways. Nevertheless He did not leave Himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness. And with these sayings they restrained the people, so that they did not do sacrifice unto them." (Acts 14:8-18)

When John bowed down to worship an angel:

"And he (an angel) said unto me, 'These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent His angel to show unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.' 'Behold, I come quickly; blessed is he who keeps the sayings of the prophecy of this book.' And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel who showed me these things. Then he said unto me, 'See that you do not that; for I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren the prophets, and of those who keep the sayings of this book; worship God!" (Revelation 22:6-9)

So we see that only God is to be worshiped, and not angels, men, or idols! Now please consider the following:

"God, ... Has in these last days spoken unto us in His Son (Jesus), whom **He has appointed**Heir of All Things, through whom also He made the worlds; Who being the Brightness of His (the Father's) Glory, and the Exact-Representation of His Substance, and upholding all things by the Word of His power, when He (Jesus) had through Himself purged our sins, sat down on the Right Hand of the Majesty on High; being made so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent Name than them (the angels). For unto which of the angels did He (the Father) say at any time, 'You are My Son, this day have I begotten You?' And again, 'I will be to Him (to Jesus) a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son.' And again, when He brings in the Firstborn (speaking of Jesus) into the world, He said, 'And let all the angels of God worship Him (Jesus).' " (Hebrews 1:1-6)

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So now we see that there is just one Man who can be worshiped! And His name is Jesus! This is because Jesus is God in human form (see Philippians 2:6)! And not only was Jesus worshiped by angels, Jesus was also worshiped by His own disciples! Please consider the following:

#### By a man healed of blindness:

"Then they reviled him, and said, 'You are His disciple; but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spoke unto Moses; but we do not know from where He (Jesus) is from. The man answered and said unto them, 'Why here is a marvelous thing, that you do not know not from where He is from, and yet He has opened my eyes. Now we know that God does not listen to sinners; but if any man is a worshipper of God, and does His will, He hears him. Since the world began it was not heard that any man opened the eyes of someone who was born blind. If this Man (Jesus) were not of God, He could do nothing.' They answered and said unto him, 'You were altogether born in sins, and do you teach us?' And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said unto him, 'Do you believe on the Son of God? He answered and said, Who is He, Lord, so that I might believe on Him?' And Jesus said unto him, 'You have both seen Him, and it is He who speaks with you.' And he said, 'Lord, I believe.' And he worshipped Him (Jesus)." (see John 9:1-28-38)

#### By His own disciples:

"And right away Jesus made His disciples to get into a boat, and to go before Him unto the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up onto a mountain apart to pray; and when the evening had come, He was there alone. But the boat was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves; for the wind was contrary. And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, 'It is a spirit;' and they cried out for fear. But right away Jesus spoke unto them, saying, 'Be of good cheer; it is I; do not be afraid.' And Peter answered Him and said, 'Lord, if it is You, bid me to come unto You on the water.' And He said, 'Come.' And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. But when he saw the boisterous wind, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried-out, saying, 'Lord, save me.' And immediately Jesus stretched forth His hand, and caught him, and said unto him, 'O you of little faith, why did thou doubt?' And when they had come into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those who were in the boat came and worshipped Him, saying, 'Of a truth You are the Son of God.' "(Matt. 14:22-33)

"And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held Him by the feet, and worshipped Him. Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell My brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me. ... Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. And when they saw Him, they worshipped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke unto them, saying, 'All Authority is given unto Me in Heaven and in earth. Go you therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, Lam with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." (Matt. 28:9-10, 16-20)

"And He (Jesus) said unto them (His disciples), 'Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name <u>among all nations</u>, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things. And, behold, <u>I send the promise of My Father</u> upon you; but stay you in the city of Jerusalem, until you are clothed <u>with power from on High</u>. And He led them out as far as to Bethany, and He lifted up His hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while He blessed them, He was parted from them, <u>and was carried up into Heaven</u>. <u>And they worshipped Him</u>, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; And were continually in the Temple, <u>praising and blessing</u> God. Amen." (Luke 24:49-53)

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Jesus is now in Heaven seated at the Right Hand of God the Father Most High. There Jesus intercedes for all those who believe in Him, and trust Him for their salvation. There also, in Heaven Jesus is worshiped by the hosts of heaven. Please consider the following:

"And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the Throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits (angels) of God sent forth into all the earth. And He came and took the book out of the right hand of Him (the Father) who sat upon the throne. And when He (the Lamb) had taken the book, the four beasts and twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of incense, which are the prayers of saints. And they sang a new song, saying, 'You (Jesus) are worthy to take the book, and to open the seals of it: for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God in Your blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and have made us unto our God kings and priests; and we shall reign on the earth. And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.' And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, 'Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto Him (the Father) who sits upon the Throne, and unto the Lamb (Jesus) forever and ever.' And the four beasts said, 'Amen'. And the twentyfour elders fell down and worshipped Him who Lives forever and ever." (Revelation 5:7-14)

Finally please consider the following:

"... And the multitudes that went before (before Jesus), and who followed, cried-out, saying, 'Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the Highest.' And when He (Jesus) had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, 'Who is this?' And the multitude said, 'This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.' And Jesus went into the Temple of God, and cast out all those who sold and bought in the Temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of those who sold doves, and said unto them, 'It is written, 'My house shall be called the house of prayer;' but you have made it a den of thieves.' 'And the blind and the lame came to Him in the Temple; and He healed them. And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying in the Temple, and saying, 'Hosanna to the Son of David;' they were sorely displeased, and said unto Him, "Do You hear what they are saying?' And Jesus said unto them, 'Yes! And have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings You (God the Father) have perfected Praise?' " (Matthew 21:9-16)

## Jesus Was and Is Worshipped

All Praise and Honor and Glory and Blessings be Yours Lord Jesus !!!

Praise You Lord Jesus for coming to earth to be the Savior of the world !!

Thank You King Jesus for enduring the Cross for the forgiveness of our sins!!

Praise You Jesus for You alone are Worthy to be seated at the Right Hand of God!!

Bless You my King, and my Redeemer !!
Worthy are You to receive Power, and Riches, and Wisdom !!
Worthy are You to receive Strength, and Honor, and Glory, and Blessings !!
Thank You Lord Jesus for saving my soul !!

Thank You for giving <u>us</u> the promise of the Father – Your Holy Spirit !!!

Truly! Truly! - Lord Jesus You are Wonderful!! - Amen! and Amen!