

WORSHIP THE LORD
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PSALMS 96:9

1. Angels are spiritual beings that were created before man. There are three main archangels named in scripture.
 - A. Gabriel, God's communications director. Ryan Seacrest.
 - B. Michael, God's warrior angel. "The Rock", Dwayne Johnson.
 - C. Lucifer, God's worship leader. "The Joker." **EZEKIEL 28:13-15 (ASV)**
 - **ISAIAH 14:12-14** – Through self-generated pride, he went from leading all creation in worshiping God, to desiring all creation to worship him.
 - He is now a rebel deceiver who hates both God and man.
2. Man was created to worship God. **PSALMS 100:1-5; REVELATION 4:10-11**
 - A. The first Adam's fall. **GENESIS 3:6** – Satan used food as bait to get them to worship him. They took the bait and were caught.
 - B. The last Adam refused to take the bait. **MATTHEW 4:8-11** – When food and trickery didn't work, he pulled out the big guns and said he would give Him the glory of all the kingdoms of the world if He would worship him.
 - C. Jesus made His position clear.
 - Man doesn't live by bread alone, but by every word of God.
 - Man is not to tempt God by being presumptuous or foolish.
 - Man is to worship God alone and serve Him only.
3. Worship has two key components. **JOHN 4:20-26**
 - A. "In spirit". To worship means to fall down or bow down before. It involves the spirit bowing in worship before God. Because it's internal, it can be done anywhere, and at anytime.
 - B. "In truth" means worship is a response to truth. The word reveals to us who God is and what He has done for us. These truths move us within to express ourselves in true worship.
4. True worship is our response to God's love in ways ordained by Him. **DEUTERONOMY 5:32-33**
 - A. True worship begins with viewing God as being holy.
 - **LEVITICUS 10:1-3 (NKJV)**
 - **ISAIAH 6:1-5**
 - B. True worship is made acceptable by Christ. **1 PETER 2:5**
 - C. True worship is an act of the will. **PSALMS 138:1-2**
 - D. True worship is not about the commandments of men. **MATTHEW 15:7-9**

CONCLUSION: Lucifer fell from Heaven because he wanted to be worshiped as God. He probably wondered who took his place as Heaven's worship leader. Gabriel? No, too busy delivering messages. Michael? No, too busy fighting bad guys. Whoever, he will hate him with a passion.

God didn't promote another angel, He created us to love Him, serve Him and worship Him in spirit and truth. **REVELATION 5:9-14**