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Because God is loyal and faithful

Ps. 96:4 *For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods.*

There is no doubt that we've established, time and again, that the LORD is great and that He is worthy to be praised. What stands out to me is the second part of this verse. The Hebrew word for *feared* is **novra** which means *to be revered, revered, exalted or held in awe*.

We need to see the LORD as He really is. We don't have the right to march into His presence and demand anything. He is to be revered. He is to be held in awe. Now the interesting thing here is that He is to be feared above all gods. The term for gods here is not talking about the LORD being one of many gods. But quite honestly, a god is something that you worship.

What have people made as their god rather than the LORD? People worship all kinds of people and things. Maybe you worship movie stars, things, money, music, relationships, prestige, physical attraction, fame or countless other "gods" in your life. None of these "things" will ever be like the real God. They cannot fill the void that is in every person's life. Everyone needs to know that there is a real God that loves them and can meet their every need. He is the one and only true God. We should look to Him in awe and amazement. He alone is worthy of our praise.

Dear LORD, You are worthy of honor and praise. You alone deserve all glory and praise. You are worthy of our reverence and devotion. In Jesus Name, Amen.