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Why We Worship the Way We Do

√ Because _____.

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(Ezekiel 46:9 NLT) But when the people come in through the north gateway to worship the LORD during the religious festivals, they must leave by the south gateway. And those who entered through the south gateway must leave by the north gateway. They must never leave by the same gateway they came in, but must always use the opposite gateway.

In Spirit and In Truth

(John 4:23 NLT) But the time is coming—indeed it's here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship Him that way.

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2. Worship with _____.

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(Mark 12:30) Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

3. Worship expecting _____.

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